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Harvey	261.00	Park	1,618.74
Urquhart	205.00	Ben-David	863.44
Wefald	897.70	MVM Claims Svs	1,419.40

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Garden	2,450.02	Davis	117.62
Hartley	308.43	Naude	150.00
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Petrovich	4,500.00	MacBride	19.26
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Last	73.83	Gannon	550.00
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Lewis	409.18	Dellanina	410.22
Fu	982.17	Wilson	392.02
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Wong	500.00	Corona	84.13
Creighton	257.79	Angell	956.00

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b. From Walt Disney Company, twelve (12) Boxed Trees Assorted, 24" Boxes, valued at $4,200.00, for the Golden Gate Park Nursery.
c. From Walt Disney Company, plant Material, (one 48" Boxed Celtis), valued at $2,800.00, for the Golden Gate Park Nursery.
d. From Jennifer Porter, 3 Plumeria, valued at $75.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.
e. From Jim Lewis, $300.00, for the orchid collection at the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.
f. From Richard Demoky, $500.00, for the orchid collection at the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.
g. From Honorable Dianne Feinstein, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $500.00, for Kezar Equipment Fund.
h. From N.F.L. Alumni, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $500.00, for Kezar Equipment Fund.
i. From Koret Foundation, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $2,000.00, for the Golden Gate Park Band Fund.

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e. From Strybing Arboretum Nursery, miscellaneous gifts, valued at $3,098.45, for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens

f. From Sonoma Horticultural Nursery, 137 Vireya Rhododendrons of various species and hybrids, valued at $4,408.00, for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens

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January 9, 1991

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RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1991 - 1:00 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime (noted present at the Presidio)
Commissioner Frances McAteer
Absent:
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. PRESIDIO TOUR

A tour the Presidio was taken by members of the Recreation and Park Commission and Department. Messrs. Howard Levitt, Chief of Communications, of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area and Roger Brown, Head, National Park Services, Presidio Planning Team, gave an overview of the Presidio detailing the buildings, grounds and infrastructure elements. Planning issues, schedules and policies were discussed. The tour bus departed from McLaren Lodge at 1:00 p.m. and returned at 3:15 p.m. at which time a summary session of the tour was held in the Commission Room.

Note for the Record: There was not a quorum of the Commission at the time of commencement. Upon arrival at the Presidio, Commissioner Guggenhime met the tour bus at which time there was a quorum of the Commission. There was not a quorum of the Commission for the summary session.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No public comment was received.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

San Francisco, California
January 17, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

655TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Fifty-Fifth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, January 17, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

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2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 20, 1990, were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns submitted the following report:

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3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

ZOO ELEPHANT EXHIBIT

The newly-renovated Asian Elephant Exhibit was dedicated on Thursday, January 10. As you will recall from a previous report, this renovation will improve the quality of life for the elephants by giving them sand in their outdoor yard and heated floors in their night quarters. Also, within a month or two the elephants will no longer be chained during the night. A new type of "hands off" elephant management program is being pioneered at the Zoo which will be much safer for the keepers and will permit the elephants a better social environment.

This brings up the tragic occurrence at the Oakland Zoo in which Lorne Jackson, a long-time elephant keeper, was killed by a bull elephant in their new exhibit. David Anderson, our Zoo Director, has spoken with Joel Parrott, Director of the Oakland Zoo. Mr. Parrott informed Mr. Anderson that the Oakland Zoo will now go to a "hands off" management technique and that he will visit our Zoo to look at our new exhibit modifications.

MEETINGS WITH NEW POLICE CAPTAINS

San Francisco's new Police Chief, Willis Casey, has made personnel changes in his department, one of them being in the Captain's rank at the district stations. Therefore, I am in the process of setting up initial meetings with these Captains to get acquainted and to discuss our mutual concerns and problems. The first meeting was held yesterday with Captain Newlin of Mission Station, along with Barney Barron, Joel Robinson, Nan Neal and Ron De Leon. On Wednesday, January 23, Police Chief Casey will join us.

PON AND HOM

On Tuesday, January 15, 1991, the Recreation and Park Department, Mary Burns, Ernie Prindle and Lucinda Pope Scanlan were named as defendants in a lawsuit filed by Pon & Hom, Inc. Pon & Hom alleges that the City has breached provisions of the lease agreement between the Department and Pon & Hom. Specifically, they allege breaches of the lease agreement with respect to the following events: 1) Bay to Breakers, May 20, 1990; 2) Ala Carte Ala Park, September 2-4, 1990; 3) 50th Anniversary of the Strybing Arboretum, September 16, 1990; and 4) the Run to the Far Side event of November 25, 1990. In addition, Pon & Hom seeks a declaration by the Court that the City's interpretation of the lease as amended in January, 1990 is inconsistent with the intent and letter of the lease amendment.

The matter has been referred to the City Attorney's Office, and I will keep you informed of any future action.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

CANDLESTICK PARK FORTY- NINER PLAYOFF REVENUE ESTIMATE

The two playoff games this month may net $718,000 of revenue to the Department, an average of $359,000 per game and an increase of $71,537 over last year. The increase in seating capacity and the NFL approval of a $5.00 per seat ticket increase have contributed to the larger anticipated revenue. The seating capacity has been expanded by 726 seats (65,729 to 66,455). In addition, the NFL set ticket prices for the divisional playoff at $35 for general admission and $45 for luxury seats, and $45 and $55 respectively for the championship game.

MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT

The following are claims under $5,000 settled by the City Attorney's Office for the month of December 1990:

Claimant	Amount
Woodson	$ 338.47
Nicco	181.46
Harvey	261.00
Park	1,618.74
MVM Claims Svcs.	1,419.40
Urquhart	205.00
Ben-David	863.44
Wefald	897.70

RETIREMENTS

Jacob Sigg	3418 Gardener, Ass't. Sup.	32 years

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, January 21, 1991	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
Tuesday, January 22, 1991	Special Recreation and Park Commission Meeting, 6:00 P.M. McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, January 23, 1991	Recreation Program and Mather Committee, 3:30 P.M., Rosa Parks Senior Center
Tuesday, January 29, 1991	Recreation and Park Department Public Meeting, 6:00 P.M. County Fair Building (Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council Plan for Operation of Recycling Center at Arguello and Frederick Streets)
Monday, February 4, 1991	Golden Gate Park Committee 3:00 P.M. (tour), 4:00 P.M., (meeting), McLaren Lodge

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

DATES TO REMEMBER (Continued)

Wednesday, February 6, 1991	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:30 P.M. (tour),5:00 P.M. (meeting), S.F. Zoo
Thursday, February 7, 1991	Parks and Planning Committee 9:00 A.M., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, February 7, 1991	Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee 4:00 P.M., McLaren Lodge
Monday, February 18, 1991	Presidents' Day Holiday"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15888

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period December 6, 1990 through January 4, 1991.

b. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15889
3-HOUR PARKING REGULATION

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the three hour parking regulation, in Golden Gate Park on Bowling Green Drive.

c. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15890
ROAD CLOSURE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for various road closures in Golden Gate Park for the "1991 Bonne Bell Women's 5 and 10 Kilometer Foot Race" on Sunday, April 7, 1991 sponsored by Pamakid Runners Club.

d. GOLDEN GATE PARK/GREAT HIGHWAY — RES. NO. 15891
ROAD CLOSURE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for closure of the Great Highway between Lincoln and Sloat Boulevard for the "Nike-SF Half Marathon" on Sunday, December 8, 1991 sponsored by Pamakid Runners Club.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

e. LINCOLN PARK RES. NO. 15892
GIFT OF GRANITE PLAQUE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the gift of granite plaque to replace stolen Frances E. Willard plaque at Lincoln Park.

f. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY RES. NO. 15893
UPPER GREAT HIGHWAY
ROAD CLOSURE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the San Francisco Zoological Society for road closures to stage the "Fifteenth Annual Zoo Run" along the Great Highway on Sunday, January 20, 1991.

g. EXPLORATORIUM RES. NO. 15894
PLACEMENT OF TEMPORARY TRAILER

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of the Exploratorium to install a temporary 24' x 60' trailer in the LAIR parking lot, for a two-year period, effective 1/17/91.

h. MISSION RECREATION CENTER/NOE BEAVER MINI PARK PROJECTS
TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Approval of $26,000 transfer of funds from Mission Recreation Center Projects to Project for Noe Beaver Minipark for installation of wrought iron fence.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

i. HILLTOP PARK/HUNTERS POINT PROJECTS RES. NO. 15895
TRANSFER OF FUNDS

RESOLVED, That this Commission Approves a $135,328 transfer of funds from Hilltop Park Project to for Hunter Point Center Project for improvements to the irrigation system.

j. CANDLESTICK PARK IMPROVEMENTS (PHASE VIA) RES. NO. 15896
AWARD OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the award of contract for $1,997,894 to Nibbi-Lowe Construction Inc. a Joint Venture for Candlestick Park improvements-Renovation Phase VIA.

k. CANDLESTICK PARK IMPROVEMENTS RES. NO. 15897
MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the contract modification in the amount of $400,000 with Holsinger Inc. for improvements to Candlestick Park stadium seating-Renovation Phase 2-b-1 Modification H.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

l. CANDLESTICK PARK IMPROVEMENTS RES. NO.15898
MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a contract modification in the amount of $121,000, with Pro-Media Inc. for improvements to Candlestick Park sound system-Renovation Phase 2-D.

m. MARINA YACHT HARBOR RES. NO. 15899
PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a Personal Services Contract with Noble Consultants in the amount of $33,000 for a hydraulic modeling and engineering analysis of bay currents and wave action and their effects on the entrances to the East and West harbors of the San Francisco Marina.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained that the zebras were sold because they were considered surplus to the Zoo's needs. Mr. Anderson then explained that the bison exhibit in Golden Gate Park was in need of attention. He recommended reducing the size of the herd because the group was producing too many droppings, there were instances of aggression for the food trough and some potential inbreeding. Therefore the herd was reduced to a manageable size of 14. He further explained that he hoped to present a renovation plan for the exhibit to the Commission some time in the future.

Vice President Eickman asked how many zebras remained in the Zoo's collection. Mr. Anderson explained that the Zoo retains 4 zebras and that this animal does not survive well in a "herd" environment.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15900

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (which was processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

SOLD TO: Montgomery Zoo
P. O. Box Zebra
Montgomery, AL 36109
USDA #64-C-3

One (1) female Grant's Zebra, valued at $2,000.00. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

RES. NO. 15900
(Continued)

SOLD TO:

J. C. Schulz
Route #1, Box 133
Catskill, NY 12412
USDA #21-FY

One (1) male Grant's Zebra, valued at $1,000.00. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

SOLD TO:

Safari West
3115 Porter Creek Road
Santa Rosa, CA 94104
USDA #93-C-93

Seven (7) male and six (6) female Bison, valued at $2,100.00 for the group. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

6. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
GROUP SALES AND FACILITY RENTAL POLICY

Approval of Group Sales and Facility Rental Policy for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Marketing Director, Karen Knight, explained that over the last several months the Marketing Section has been working with the San Francisco Zoological Society to put together a variety of programs that will benefit both the Society and the Department. This proposed policy is the first set of identified programs that the Department can now send to potential clients, travel and convention markets, and is part of the overall marketing effort. Implementation of these programs will begin immediately and will be available to clients as soon as printing funds become available.

Ms. Knight highlighted the pertinent features of the proposed policy:

°Group Sales Program - gives a discount for parties of 10 or more; will allow tour guides and/or bus drivers to come free as long as they are in uniforms and part of the group;
°One-Day Pass - encourages people to buy admission to all of the Zoo features;
°Ticket Books - will be marketed as an incentive to travel managers to give away as part of sales promotion;
°Peacock Club - will be similar to the "Magic Kingdom Card" at Disneyland and offers the visitor all of the features of the Zoo, including a peacock feather and a discount to the Zoological Society;
°Reserved Picnic Areas and Catered Events - are offered to become more competitive to areas such as Marine World and Great America.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15901

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Group Sales and Facility Rental Policy for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

7. FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ACQUISITION, LOAN AND DISPOSITION POLICY

Approval of San Francisco Zoological Gardens Acquisition, Loan and Disposition Policy.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

8. PERMIT AND RESERVATIONS POLICY
SIX MONTH REVIEW

Approval of the revisions to the permit and reservations policy for use of facilities under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department as required by Park Code Section 7.03-IV, Resolution 15840.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that the Department is required to report to the Commission semi-annually on the administration of the Permits and Reservation Policy. Generally, the policy is working well. Staff has encountered some problems with some of the permits. He outlined some of the problem areas:

Emperor Norton (Civic Center Plaza, July 12-15, 1990): There were problems with the ride operator setting up mechanical rides on park property. In 1990 the rides were placed at 100 Larkin Street without authorization.

Urban Fair (Civic Center Plaza, August 30-September 4): There were problems with the operator drilling unauthorized holes into the plaza in order to secure structures. Staff is still attempting to receive payment for these damages from the permittee.

Mr. Robinson recommended inclusion of language pertaining to mechanical rides or erection of any structures which would provide that any such request must be accompanied by a complete diagram with details as to where the rides will be located and how the temporary structure(s) will be secured. The anchoring plan must detail the method to be used to secure a structure. This information must be submitted prior to a permit being issued.

Mr. Robinson explained that the Urban Fair permittee, Mr. Conrad, is contesting some of the unresolved issues and is aware that another permit will not be issued until this matter is resolved.

Reggae Festival (Sharon Meadow, October 5-8, 1990) - The Department has not been able to collect the negotiated percentage fee of gate receipts from the permittee.

Staff recommended that the Department be allowed the ability to negotiate a guaranteed fee of $5,000 prior to the day of the event to be collected for any permittee who requests to erect a fence and charge an admission. The permittee would also be given the option to pay the salary of a Department employee to monitor the attendance and pay the Department the negotiated percentage on the day of the event. This would give the Department the assurance to collect a fee prior to an event in case the permittee defaults on making payment.

8. PERMIT AND RESERVATIONS POLICY
SIX MONTH REVIEW (Continued)

Mr. Robinson explained that the City Attorney will draft language should the Commission approves the revisions.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15902

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the revisions to the permit and reservations policy for use of facilities under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department as required by Park Code Section 7.03-IV, Resolution 15840, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Attorney will draft the appropriate language for approval by the Commission at a later date.

9. ARTISTS' GUILD OF SAN FRANCISCO
SAN FRANCISCO SOCIETY OF FINE ARTS
MULTIPLE-DAY ART SHOWS

Approval of the requests by The Artists' Guild of San Francisco and the San Francisco Society of Fine Arts to reserve a portion of Washington Square, Union Square, the Marina Green and Hoover Redwood Grove in Golden Gate Park on specified dates in January and February, 1991 for art shows.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that this item is a request for multiple dates at various park properties for art show groups. At the Committee level concern was expressed about the number of dates being requested for art shows. Staff recommended approving the requested dates in January and February and to consider a new set of fees for this type of permit with possible limitations on the number of days an art group is allowed on park property. He explained that the current fee encourages the art groups to reserve many dates.

President O'Connor explained that apparently one group is a collective and the other group is one person who pays the fee and in turn charges a fee to the artists thereby making a profit. Ms. O'Connor felt that these two groups should be considered differently from each other.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the paramount concern is the land use issue and whether or not parks should be reserved for art shows many times a month.

Commissioner Orr explained that over the years the number of art show dates has increased. He noted that both Washington Square and Union Square are committed to art shows over one-third of the weekends each month. He explained that the Committee had serious questions as to whether it was an appropriate use and wanted the Department to receive more revenue since the artists use such prime park land.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that he was concerned about the "double reservation" issue which occurred when two events were scheduled at a park and one art show group did not move.

**9. ARTISTS' GUILD OF SAN FRANCISCO
SAN FRANCISCO SOCIETY OF FINE ARTS
MULTIPLE-DAY ART SHOWS (Continued)**

Vice President Eickman explained that people are selling everywhere and he was concerned about the number of commercial events in the park.

Jon Rife, representing the Artists' Guild of San Francisco, explained that he has been a member of this Guild for 10 years and that it was a tradition in the City. The Guild has been working with the Department for over 30 years and the number of requested dates has not changed. He explained that there is now a second group which has created problems. He stated that cities, such as Paris and Santa Barbara, offer space for artists. He asked the Commission not to view the Guild as strictly a commercial event but rather a cultural event.

Michael Koller, representing the Artists' Guild of San Francisco, explained that he finds people are glad to see artists in the park. He stated that when the artists are not using Union Square the park is full of derilects and people feel unsafe to walk through the park.

Richard Bolingbrone, representing the Artists' Guild of San Francisco, stated that the Guild has requested the same number of days for many years and does not display art in December or January. He was not opposed to the Commission raising fees but preferred that the requested dates for 1991 be approved so that they could print a brochure and publicize the dates to the public and interested parties. He also wanted to point out one of the differences between the Artists' Guild and the San Francisco Society of Fine Arts is that the Guild requires the artists be present to meet the public and must show original art work.

Commissioner McAteer asked the speaker to clarify the difference from the Guild to the Society of Fine Arts.

In response to Commissioner McAteer's question, Mr. Rife explained that the Society of Fine Arts has no by-laws and is one individual who sells space to other artists.

President O'Connor asked questions regarding the "double booking" event of 4/21/90.

Assistant Recreation Supervisor, Sharon Moyer, explained that the Society of Fine Arts was informed that there would be another event held at the Union Square on 4/21/90 and the artists refused to move. The Police Department was contacted and they resolved the matter. Ms. Moyer explained that this group has shared space on 4 or 5 other occasions without incident.

President O'Connor stated that she has spoken to the Society of Fine Arts artists who have informed her that they must pay a fee. She was concerned that the dates be approved if there had been a violation of one of the terms of the permit.

Commissioner Orr shared the concern that one group is in the park to make a profit, a commercial event while another group is a cooperative, offering something educational which may enhance park use.

9. ARTISTS' GUILD OF SAN FRANCISCO
SAN FRANCISCO SOCIETY OF FINE ARTS
MULTIPLE-DAY ART SHOWS (Continued)

Mr. Robinson explained that it is very difficult to prove a commercial activity on park property.

Commissioner Chan asked Mr. Bolingbrone if he would be willing to have the Commission approve the dates every other month.

Mr. Bolingbrone explained that the Guild produces a color brochure and that it would be costly and counterproductive to have the dates approved every other month.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15903

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the requests by The Artists' Guild of San Francisco and the San Francisco Society of Fine Arts to reserve a portion of parks listed below on the following dates:

The Artists' Guild of San Francisco

° Hoover Redwood Grove, Golden Gate Park	February 9 & 10 February 23 & 24
° Union Square	February 2 & 3
° Washington Square Park	February 16 & 17

San Francisco Society of Fine Arts

° Union Square	January 19 & 20 February 16 & 17
° Washington Square Park	February 23 & 24

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this matter be considered in February, 1991.

10. NAMING AND/OR CHANGING THE DESIGNATION OF FACILITIES POLICY
PROPOSED CHANGE

Approval to amend the Naming and/or Changing the Designation of Facilities Policy.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that over the past several years the Department has received an ever increasing number of requests to name or rename various facilities in honor of individuals who have made major contributions to a Recreation or Park facility and where significant community support is given for such a designation. Although there is a policy, it is very difficult to convince individuals that their proposal has been objectively analyzed and evaluated. Most people who request a name change are very sincere and emotional and feel it is appropriate that a facility be named/renamed. Therefore, staff proposed that the policy be amended to allow that subsections of facilities to be named/renamed for a specific period of time. This method would allow contemporary individuals to be appropriately recognized for their contributions to the City or Department.

10. NAMING AND/OR CHANGING THE DESIGNATION OF FACILITIES POLICY PROPOSED CHANGE (Continued)

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15904

RESOLVED, That this Commission amends the Naming and/or Changing the Designation of Facilities Policy (Section 3) as follows:

3. Individuals who have contributed significantly to Recreation and Park Department programs may be appropriately recognized. Priority should be given to having an appropriate activity (such as a marathon, a unique athletic event, or a cultural presentation) named in honor of the individual. However, the Commission may decide, at its own initiative or as a result of a petition by the public, to name a subsection of a facility in honor or memory of an individual. In unique circumstances where no other method of honoring an individual is deemed appropriate, a garden, room, ball diamond or tennis court may be dedicated to commemorate and/or honor an individual for a ten (10) year period. After the ten (10) year period has ended, the subsection of the facility would be eligible to be renamed under these same terms and conditions. In the event of a name change the prior honoree's name will be entered on the facility's "Wall of Fame" described hereinafter. Such gardens, rooms, ball diamonds, tennis courts, etc. shall be so designated only if there is no other appropriate way to honor the individual.

Each facility with a building would more appropriately contain a "Wall of Fame" indicating the important contributions that individual or groups have made to that particular facility. In parks where no indoor facility would lend itself to a "Wall of Fame," materials should be submitted to be contained in historic files of McLaren Lodge. Where appropriate, duplicate information shall be made available to the appropriate neighborhood library.

11. NAMING OF SOFTBALL DIAMOND GLEN PARK

Approval to name the softball diamond at Glen Park in honor of Thelma Williams.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that this item is a request to name the ball diamond at Glen Park in honor of Thelma Williams, an individual who has contributed to youth softball in San Francisco for a number of years.

Assistant Superintendent of Recreation, Hal Flinn, explained that Thelma Williams is a treasure to the City's youth baseball community for over 35 years.

Ron Exley, representing the Police Athletics League, spoke on behalf of this request and explained that Ms. Williams taught many children the fundamentals of baseball. Ms. Williams who suffers from Parkinsons' Disease continues to teach the City's youth. She has practiced at Glen Park for the last fifteen years.

11. NAMING OF SOFTBALL DIAMOND
GLEN PARK (Continued)

Bob Summers, representing the Amateur Softball Association & Northern California Umpires Association, explained that there is not a grander woman than Ms. Williams. Ms. Williams has made a contribution to children for over 36 years and now the community has a chance to say thank you to Thelma Williams.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15905

RESOLVED, That this Commission grants approval to name the softball diamond at Glen Park in honor of Thelma Williams.

12. GOLDEN GATE PARK
ALVORD LAKE
LIGHTING PLAN

Approval of lighting plan at Alvord Lake, Golden Gate Park.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that over the past year and one-half there has been concern about activities and problems at Alvord Lake at the Haight Street entrance to Golden Gate Park. The community and the Police Department have requested that lighting be provided in that area so that people can be seen if they are loitering. The lighting plan proposed will provide 8 light standards along the pathway. The fixtures selected are in keeping with the historic area of the park.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15906

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the lighting plan at Alvord Lake, Golden Gate Park.

13. GOLDEN GATE PARK
BUS LOT KIOSK
TEMPORARY BUILDING REPLACEMENT

Approval of design for a bus lot kiosk temporary building replacement located at the Bandshell in Golden Gate Park.

Park Property Manager, Robin Burgstahler, explained that this item is a request to replace one temporary building at the Bandshell in Golden Gate Park. The Maintenance Yard will construct the replacement building and the exterior finish will be completed in consultation with the staff.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

13. GOLDEN GATE PARK
BUS LOT KIOSK
TEMPORARY BUILDING REPLACEMENT (Continued)

RES. NO. 15907

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the design for a bus lot kiosk temporary building replacement located at the Bandshell in Golden Gate Park.

14. RECREATION DIVISION
TEEN PROGRAM

Ratification of funding for the creation of one (1) 1310 Public Relations Assistant position from the Koret Foundation in the amount of $20,000 for the Teen Newspaper Program at Hamilton Recreation Center.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that the Department's teen coordinator position was funded by a grant from the Koret Foundation and Friends of Recreation and Parks. This position has now been transferred to the Department's General Fund account and sufficient money remains to fund another position. Therefore, he proposed funding a position for the current editor of the Department's teen newspaper.

In response to Vice President Eickman's question, Mr. Robinson explained that he hoped that when funding diminishes the position will be transferred and funded by the Department's General Fund.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO.15908

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the funding from the Koret Foundation for the creation of one (1) 1310 Public Relations Assistant position in the amount of $20,000 for the Teen Newspaper Program at Hamilton Recreation Center.

15. CAMP MATHER
FEE SCHEDULE

Approval of the revised fees for the 1991 Camp Season.

Director of Business Development, Garrett Furuichi, explained that this item is a request to increase cabin rental and meal rates for the 1991 Camp Mather season. Staff proposed increasing the residential rates 5%; 10% for non-residents and 10% for meals. Proposed rates were compared with nearby camps operated by San Jose and Berkeley and were found to be in line. San Jose and Berkeley Camps offer tent cabins rather than wood cabins. The meal increase was predicated on the recent freeze and the thought that food costs will increase because of crop damage. He felt the fees were reasonable.

In response to Commissioner Chan's question, staff explained that the revised fees were calculated as part of next year's budget.

15. CAMP MATHER
FEE SCHEDULE (Continued)

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that the amenities offered at Camp Mather (wood cabins, tennis courts, horseback riding, softball diamond, and swimming pool) as compared to the other camps are better.

Fern Corturi, representing the Visitacion Valley Seniors, asked if "Senior Week" at Camp Mather would be offered in 1991.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, informed Ms. Corturi that "Senior Week" will continue.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO.15909

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the revised fees for the 1991 Camp Mather Season:

Resident Rates: Cabin Size	Current Weekly	Current Nightly	Approved Weekly	Approved Nightly
1	$162	$26	$170	$28
2	231	39	242	40
3	323	54	339	57
4	393	66	412	69
5	462	77	485	81
6	520	87	546	91

Non-Resident Rates: Cabin Size	Current Weekly	Current Nightly	Approved Weekly	Approved Nightly
1	$185	$29	$203	$34
2	266	44	292	49
3	370	63	407	68
4	451	76	496	82
5	531	89	584	97
6	601	98	661	110

Meal Rates:	Current Weekly	Current Daily (3 Meals)	Approved Weekly	Approved Daily (3 Meals)
Adult (13 & over)	$113	$17	$124	$19
Ages 2-12	65	10	71	11

Transient Meal Rate Meal Type	Current Daily	Approved Daily
Adult Breakfast/Lunch	$ 7	$ 8
Adult Dinner	9	10
Child Breakfast/Lunch	4.50	5
Child Dinner	6.50	7.50

NOTE: Cabin rates shown do not include additional 8% Tuolumne County occupancy tax; meal rates shown do not include additional 7% State and local tax.

16. UNION SQUARE GARAGE BID PACKAGE

Approval of bid package for a five-year lease for operation of the Union Square Garage.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, explained that this item is a request for conceptual approval of the lease terms for the Union Square Garage which will expire in 2/28/91. The newly established Parking and Transportation Commission will actually perform the bid procedures.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO.15910

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves the bid package for a five-year lease for operation of the Union Square Garage.

17. INFECTION CONTROL POLICY

Approval of Infection Control Policy.

Safety Officer, Betty Lim, explained that, as a result of concern expressed by some of the Department employees who encounter potentially infectious materials at the worksite, staff met with Department of Public Health representatives to implement a risk minimization program. The program has been reviewed by members of the Department's Central Safety Committee. The Department has asked employees to complete a questionnaire describing the nature of what they find on the jobsite. She noted that full implementation of this program is dependent on obtaining funding.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that this program is in response to concern raised by employees as to how they can minimize risks in handling materials that gardeners and custodians formerly did not encounter at the job site. She also noted that this program will help control workers' compensation costs.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO.15911

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Infection Control Policy:

"It is the intent of the Recreation and Park Department to establish and manage an effective, written Infection Control Program (ICP) for all employees whose reasonably anticipated duties may result in occupational exposure to blood and other potentially infectious materials. The purpose of this Infection Control Program is to minimize or eliminate employee exposures to pathogens, especially bloodborne pathogens."

"It is the policy of the Recreation and Park Department to implement and enforce the policies and procedures established by this Infection Control Program for Occupational Exposure to Blood and other Potentially Infectious Materials."

18. LAKE MERCED
URBAN PARKS CONCESSIONAIRES
LEASE AMENDMENT AND RENT CREDIT

Approval of second amendment to the Lake Merced boating and fishing lease and approval of a rent credit to Urban Parks Concessionaires in an amount not to exceed $2,400 for improvements to public restrooms at Lake Merced.

Director of Property Management, Lucinda Pope Scanlan, explained that this item is a request to excuse the concessionaire from paying rent at Lake Merced because of the poor water quality and water level. There has been a dramatic drop in the water level at Lake Merced in addition to the on-going problems of migratory bird predation and green-blue algae. The Department wants to continue offering fishing and boating opportunities at Lake Merced and therefore has requested this lease amendment. The lease as amended is not assignable by the lessee; should staff find a qualified concessionaire willing to pay more rent, the lessee has agreed to match the figure or assign the lease; and the Department agrees to cooperate with lessee's application(s) for grant or gift funding for repair or redesign of the docks, and if funding is obtained, to deduct such sums from their responsibility for maintenance of the docks .

Commissioner Orr suggested that some minor language issues should be clarified to ease confusion.

Vice President Eickman explained that he was willing to approve the lease amendment and expressed his concern about the condition of Lake Merced.

Ms. Scanlan explained that there is an expectation that Lake Merced will return to marsh/tully and will be a bird habitat.

Chris Sente, representing Urban Parks Concessionaire, explained that if the Bay Area ever receives a normal rainfall again he would urge that water be pumped back into Lake Merced as was done in the past.

Ms. Scanlan further explained that Urban Parks Concessionaires is responsible for the day-to-day maintenance of the public restrooms near the Boathouse building. Staff proposed that they upgrade the restrooms and be given a rent credit for this service.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15912

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the second amendment to the Lake Merced boating and fishing lease and approved a rent credit to Urban Parks Concessionaires in an amount not to exceed $2,400 for improvements to public restrooms at Lake Merced.

19. MOBILE CATERING PERMITS

Approval of procedures to award revocable pushcart /mobile truck/food booth vending concessions at various locations in Golden Gate Park and neighborhood parks.

Director of Property Management, Lucinda Pope Scanlan, explained that the Commission approved the concept of placing push cart/mobile catering truck/temporary booths in Golden Gate Park and neighborhood parks and playgrounds in order to provide a service for park users, to control vending by unauthorized persons and to generate additional revenues for the Department. Staff has now finalized the bid procedure which was developed to be clear and simple. Most of the permits will be for a six-month duration. Staff plans to do outreach to the current gypsy vendors at neighborhood parks and will encourage bids from women/minority owned businesses. She warned the Commission that there may be some disruption from certain gypsy vendors who do not bid on this package.

In response to Commissioner McAteer's question, Ms. Scanlan explained that food service for Kezar Stadium will be handled separately.

Commissioner Orr felt that sections of the actual permit application needed to be rewritten for clarification.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15913

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the procedures to award revocable pushcart/mobile truck/food booth vending concessions at various locations in Golden Gate Park and neighborhood parks.

20. CAMP MATHER
WEST COAST WOMEN'S MUSIC AND COMEDY FESTIVAL
CAMP STORE LEASE

Approval of a five-year lease to the West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival for operation of the Camp Store at Camp Mather.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

21. CAMP MATHER
WEST COAST WOMEN'S MUSIC AND COMEDY FESTIVAL
OFF-SEASON LEASE

Approval of a five-year lease to the West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival for production of Labor Day Festivals at Camp Mather.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

22. URBAN PARK AND RECREATION RECOVERY PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION

Authorization for the Recreation and Park Department to apply for accept and expend $250,000 grant funds from the Federal Urban Park and Recreation Program Recovery Program for the Potrero Hill Recreation Center.

Director of Neighborhood Services, Elaine Molinari, explained that this request is to approve, apply for, accept and expend funds from the Federal Urban Park and Recreation Program Recovery Program for the Potrero Hill Recreation Center for renovation work. This matter bypassed the Committee process because the Department just became aware of the grant and the Mayor's Office has asked that the application be submitted by 2/8/91.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15914

WHEREAS, The Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978 established a grant program to assist communities in rehabilitation of park and recreation systems; and

WHEREAS, The City and County of San Francisco has been determined eligible to apply for said funds; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Recreation and Park Commission of the City and County of San Francisco, McLaren Lodge, Fell and Stanyan Streets, San Francisco, California, 94117, authorizes and directs the General Manager to file this grant application for a $250,000 UPARR grant, and to provide such additional information as may be required with respect to San Francisco's participation in this program.

23. RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Election of President and Vice President for calendar year 1991, in accordance with Resolution No. 11334.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer,

°Connie O'Connor was elected President, calendar year 1991
°Keith Eickman was elected Vice President, calendar year 1991.

President O'Connor explained that she was honored to be President of the Commission and was pleased to be part of the City's Recreation and Park Commission.

Vice President Eickman explained that he felt very privileged to be on the Recreation and Park Commission and noted that everyone worked well together.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, expressed her appreciation on the good working relationship the Department has with the Commission. She explained that there is a sense of trust and working together which benefits the City.

24. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Peter Desmond spoke about the impropriety of the waiting list at the Golden Gate Park Stables. He explained that he has been on the list for 22 years and has witnessed others receive a stall while he is bypassed. The purpose of his first visit to the Commission was to discredit the San Francisco Equestrians being assigned the lease of Jay Barnes. He has hired counsel to resolve this matter. He explained that he will send a letter to the Commission detailing his allegations.

Ms. Scanlan explained that staff has scheduled a meeting regarding this matter next week and hope to come forward with a policy in the near future.

Diddo Clark, member of the South End Rowing Club and President of the Golden Gate Swimmers, spoke about the South End Rowing Club and asked the Department to:

- Draft group access policies which do not exclude the Point Bonita Swim or other U.S. Masters Swimming Groups;
- Stop discriminating against South End members because of their association with the Point Bonita Swim;
- Withdraw the sanctions imposed upon her; and
- Correct the numerous lease violations which she has brought to the Department's attention.

25. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President O'Connor discussed:

°the possibility of restructuring the Commission Committees and

°her recent meeting with Coleman Advocates and their desire for more funding for children programs and services in the City.

Commissioner Guggenhime wanted the record to reflect that the Department is taking steps for extra security at Candlestick Park for the Sunday, 1/20/91, Championship Game, in light of the crisis in the Middle East.

26. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15915

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $1,041.40, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From Mrs. Catherine Linehan, miscellaneous educational games and materials, valued at $579.00, for use by the Therapeutic Division of the Recreation and Park Department.

b. From Smith and Hawken, 700 Lily bulbs, valued at $462.40, for Golden Gate Park.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

27. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following reports were submitted to the Commission:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of December 5, 1990
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of January 3, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of January 7, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of January 8, 1991

28. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Maurine Arnold, mother of Phil Arnold, Assistant General Manager for Administration, who passed away recently.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Marguerite Warren, City Hall gadfly, who passed away. Ms. Warren spent much of her time speaking for economy and efficiency in government.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Al Schwabacher, who passed away recently. Mr. Schwabacher was one of the co-founders of the Guardsmen, an avid 49er fan, and energetic individual.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Herb Suhr, who passed away recently.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, the meeting was adjourned with concern and support to Charlene Nichols of the Recreation Division, whose son is in the Middle East fighting the war.

There being no further business, the 655th Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

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San Francisco, California
January 22, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1991 - 6:00 P.M.

The Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, January 22, 1991, at 6:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. **ROLL CALL**

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Frances McAteer
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
1991-92 BUDGET

Approval of the following items making up the 1991-92 baseline budget for submission to the Mayor's Office:

A) Baseline budget
B) Department priorities by function;
C) Plan for controlling Workers' Compensation costs;
D) Facilities Maintenance Plan

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the Department is required to submit a budget to the Mayor by 2/15/91. The City's revenue estimates will not be available until March and these estimates may affect the Department's budget. The Governor's budget may also impact the City's budget. The Governor is proposing an increase in the vehicle license and alcohol tax to finance health and welfare programs and preliminary forecasts indicate that this proposal will soften the impact on the City's health and welfare programs.

Ms. Burns further explained that there may be a need for another budget meeting in March or April when the City's revenue estimates will be complete and when the reduction in state budget financing for local government will be finalized.

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
1991-92 BUDGET (Continued)

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this is the fourth public hearing on the budget held for fiscal year 1991-92. He also requested that the Commission consider some additional programs which he felt are very important to the Department.

Mr. Arnold outlined the Mayor's budget instructions for a "Baseline budget" which is defined as follows:

- All expenditures in the Department's 1990-91 budget as approved by the Board of Supervisors;
- Any funds the Board of Supervisors restored for travel, training and memberships during November and December 1990;
- Annualized increases for postage rates;
- Increases needed for uncontrollable fixed costs, such as leasing or renting facilities, or sewer service charges.
- Reductions in expenditures to offset one-time revenues received in 1990-91.

The Mayor has also requested that Departments submit with their baseline budget requests the following items:

- Departmental organization charts;
- A ranking of Departmental functions and activities in order of relative priority;
- A list of all vacant and "temporarily exchanged" positions as of November 1, 1990;
- A specific plan that details a strategy for controlling workers compensation costs;
- A facilities maintenance plan that includes all proposed work order requests to the Department of Public Works, all projects submitted to the Capital Improvement Advisory Committee, and all proposed expenditures for craft personnel within the Department's budget.

Mr. Arnold explained that there are two areas of disagreement in the baseline budget between the Department and the Mayor's Office: (1) funding additional safety programs which the Department believes is a mandate (the Mayor prefers to view this issue City wide) and (2) fixed charges which are anticipated by the Department (including sewer service charges, and work orders). There are five separate funding sources for the Department:

General Fund
Special Revenue Fund
Candlestick Fund
Yacht Harbor Fund
Open Space Fund

These funds generate $16 Million of which $6 Million is transferred to the City's General Fund. The Department then is allocated a portion of General Fund monies. Mr. Arnold gave an overview of the Department's fund balance analysis for fiscal year ending 6/30/91.

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
1991-92 BUDGET (Continued)

Staff proposed the following additions to the baseline budget:

- Funding for the Teen Coordinator Position
- Funding for mandated safety programs
- Funding for an information link to the Controller
- Funding for outreach and translation services
- Increase in funding for fixed costs (e.g., sewer service charge)
- Increase in funding for maintenance of Candlestick Park, Camp Mather, golf courses, Marina
- Funding ($560,000) for new and replacement equipment
- Funding for the completion of Golden Gate Park Master Plan and management of significant natural areas

Mr. Arnold explained that the Mayor's Office requested that the Department divide its activities into functions and to prioritize those function:

Mandated Programs - Priority I
Afterschool Program
Yacht Harbor
Candlestick Park
Open Space Program
Safety

Priority II
Recreational services to children and youth
Golden Gate Park
Structural Maintenance
Zoo

Priority III
Property Management
Concessions/Leases
Permits and Reservations

The Department has also prepared a program to control workers' compensation costs. Elements of the program include: accident investigation, claims review, risk reduction activities, and work-place hazard assessment.

Safety Officer, Betty Lim, explained that the Chief Administrative Officer encourages Departments to aggressively develop measures to reduce workers' compensation incidents and severity.

Mr. Arnold outlined the Department's facilities maintenance plan which includes an in-house maintenance staff, a structural maintenance work order crew to perform special repair projects and informal (contracts less than $50,000) and formal contracts (over $50,000). Mr. Arnold outlined the capital budget request.

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
1991-92 BUDGET (Continued)

Linda Taylor, Graphics Curator at the San Francisco Zoological Gardens, discussed the defunding of her position at the Zoo. She explained that she has over 12 years of service with the Department and during her tenure pioneered a philosophy of interpretation and technical innovations which have been used throughout the country. She stated that the Zoo only staffs one person to be responsible for animal labels, exhibit development, moving signage, etc. Her division generated over $40,000 for graphics in conjunction with the golden monkey and panda exhibits. She was concerned that there was no guarantee that the San Francisco Zoological Society will fund her position. She urged that the Commission delay any decision which could affect her position.

Karen Wood, program Chair of the Randall Museum Society, spoke about the cost cutting measures being undertaken at the Museum. She explained that the Museum has been asked to reduce temporary salaries by 44% which has adversely impacted the animal room. She was present because the cuts negatively impact their ability to implement the Randall Museum Master Plan programs. The Museum has found a candidate willing to work part time as a curator. She asked that a way be found to fund this curator position 1/2 time because the reductions negatively impacts children services.

Kevin Thomas, representing San Franciscans for Better Golf Courses, expressed his opinion that the condition of the golf courses is below the level of other municipal courses in the Bay Area. He felt that the Commission may be pressured to cut the golf budget and he urged that the Golf Director be given sufficient monies to maintain the courses.

David Tran, representing Tenderloin Youth Advocates, urged the Commission to fund recreation programs for the City's youth because it is important to educate and teach the youth before they reach adulthood.

In response to Vice President Eickman's question, Mr. Arnold explained that this year the Department received less money in the salary accounts and a number of staff positions have been left vacant because of lack of funds to pay salaries.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that the lack of rain has impacted programs and services in the Recreation Division. On rainy days schedules are restricted thereby saving money in the salary account. The lack of rainfall has forced the Recreation Division to cutback on the level of services offered.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15916

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following items for the 1991-92 baseline budget for submission to the Mayor's Office:

A) Baseline budget
B) Department priorities by function;
C) Plan for controlling Workers' Compensation costs;
D) Facilities Maintenance Plan

3. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
1991-92 INCREMENTAL BUDGET

Approval of 1991-92 incremental budget items for future submission to the Mayor's Office.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this matter is a request for incremental budget items. Items that the Department feel are vital and should be considered by the Mayor. The requests have been divided into priorities: The first is staffing and equipment for Kezar Stadium, a second sports camp geared for teenagers and two new positions for maintenance of new facilities.

°Kezar Stadium - The renovation of Kezar will be completed in June and the Department has no staffing for the stadium. The Department is requesting 2-1/2 recreation directors, 2 custodians and a substantial request for equipment, particularly for track and field events.

°Sport Camp II - Request for a year-round sports camp to be operated at Candlestick Park. The program would be targeted for teens and would teach them how to put on a sporting event, what kind of support services are needed for a sporting event, food suppliers, etc. The camp would expose youth to various career opportunities that are involved in sport events, such as radio management, concession, broadcasters.

°2 new gardener positions - one to maintain the Washington/Hyde Mini Park and one to maintain McLaren Park renovation.

The second priority includes full funding for the authorized positions working in Golden Gate Park, increased funding for materials and supplies for Golden Gate Park, two new positions and additional supplies for the Zoo, support staff for the Office of Neighborhood Services, an additional gardener position for Lake Merced, two new positions for the personnel unit, an upgrade of one position in the rental unit, two additional positions for the property management unit and additional support for the marketing program.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15917

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the 1991-92 incremental budget items for future submission to the Mayor's Office.

4. CITY GOLF COURSES
FEE INCREASES

Approval of fee increases for City golf courses to finance capital improvements at the golf courses.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that the 1991-92 budget is premised on the assumption that golf courses fees will be increased $300,000 to cover golf course maintenance. Mr. Arnold requested that the Commission approve the additional $300,000 of revenue contingent upon approval of a specific fee schedule which the Golf Director will present for adoption in the near future.

4. CITY GOLF COURSES
FEE INCREASES (Continued)

Kevin Thomas, representing San Franciscans for Better Golf Courses, gave a survey of the fees charged at the Bay Area municipal courses. He stated that Harding Park green fees are 30% higher than the average rate charged at other courses in the Bay Area. He voiced a strong objection to raising any fees for residents to generate revenue. He did not think it was fair to take golf fees monies and fund other activities.

In response to Commissioner McAteer's question, Mr. Arnold explained that the budget is approximately $2.3 Million for operating of the golf courses.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15918

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves a fee increase for City golf courses to finance capital improvements at the golf courses; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the actual fee proposal shall be considered by the Commission at a future meeting.

4a. PORTSMOUTH SQUARE
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT

Approval of the request from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to hold a multiple day event at Portsmouth Square from Thursday, February 14, 1991 through Sunday March 4, 1991.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that this item is a request for a multiple day event at Portsmouth Square. This event is held annually and is sponsored by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce for many years. There is a request to place various booths and games on Portsmouth Square for a 14-day period. He further explained that the Commission recently modified its policy to require that a detailed plan of how booths will be placed on the park property must be submitted when the request is made. Staff has received a plan but it is not detailed and more time will be needed to review the plan.

Commissioner Chan explained that mechanical rides will not be used for this event.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, Commissioner Chan asked for recusal.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15919

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to hold a multiple day event at Portsmouth Square from Thursday, February 14, 1991 through Sunday March 4, 1991, subject to staff review of the detailed plan for placement of booths.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Eickman, Guggenhime, McAteer, O'Connor, Orr, Ruiz
Abstain: Chan

4b. CAMP MATHER
WEST COAST WOMEN'S MUSIC AND COMEDY FESTIVAL
CAMP STORE LEASE

Approval of a five-year lease to the West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival for operation of the Camp Store at Camp Mather.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, outlined the proposed lease for the Camp Store at Camp Mather. Staff has reached agreement with the West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival. He outlined some of the minor modifications to the lease terms which were previously approved by the Commission on 9/20/90 (approval of the bid scores.)

°to change the name of lessee to Robin Tyler Productions
°clarify the issue of the sale of beer in quantity
°clarify the provision of food/beverage concession services excluding only dining hall, festivals and stable breakfast rides
°the lessee will have the right to develop programs for camp population with the approval of the Camp Manager, subject to percentage rent
°clarification as to who will provide the utility service
°change of administrative nature and/or for clarification.
°Revision of Nondiscrimination provision as approved by City Attorney

Mr. Prindle clarified the beer issue, explaining that the **store lease** allows the sale of six-packs of beer while the **festival lease** only allows point of consumption sales.

Commissioner Ruiz asked if there was a limit on the amount of beer that could be purchased at one time. Mr. Prindle explained that there was no restriction.

Mr. Prindle explained that in the original bid package there was provision that someone could come forward and put on other programs during a camp season but nobody bid on this aspect. Therefore, Ms. Tyler, with approval from the Department, could put on some other type of service to the public which would serve the existing camp population and the Department would receive the existing percentage rent stipulated in the lease.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15920

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a five-year lease to the West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival for operation of the Camp Store at Camp Mather.

4c. CAMP MATHER
WEST COAST WOMEN'S MUSIC AND COMEDY FESTIVAL
OFF-SEASON LEASE

Approval of a five-year lease to the West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival for production of Labor Day Festivals at Camp Mather.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, outlined the proposed lease for the off season lease at Camp Mather:

°Change name of lessee to Robin Tyler Productions;
°Lessee will provide 1 walkie-talkie set for direct communication between festival manager and camp manager
°Requirement for a kitchen manager will be deleted;
°Lessee agrees that senior week will take place during setup for the Labor Day Festival
°Lessor will provide 3 meals per day to lessee's setup staff of up to 50 persons during the 5 days of senior week;
°Lessee's responsibility to clear brush limited to "as necessary"; no dollar value attached;
°Lessee will increase its annual contribution for capital improvements from $3,000 to $5,000;
°The first aid station will be deleted from exhibit B and will be available for the use of lessee. (Lessor's inventory will be removed and stored prior to lessee's taking possession.)
°Other changes of administrative nature and/or for clarification

Mr. Prindle explained that the outstanding issue is the representatives allowed to be at camp during the festival. Ms. Tyler has requested that they be able to select up to four people by mutual agreement. The Department feels they should have the right to visit the event without consent of the lessee.

Commissioner Guggenhime felt that perhaps a list could be developed of all those interested in attending the festival.

Mr. Prindle clarified the point that the Senior Week at Camp Mather will continue as it has in the past.

Robin Tyler, representing Robin Tyler Productions, explained that the term "observer" was originally used to describe those who were interested in visiting the camp. She felt that the term "observer" implied people coming to look at her group. She said it would be nice to have "mutual agreement" language in the lease so that people can participate in the event rather than observe.

Kay Tsenin, explained that Ms. Tyler submitted a statement for the record with regard to Administrative Code Section 12B/12c.

Vice President Eickman was pleased that agreement was eminent. He did not understand why representatives could not attend the festival and explained that another term such as "representative" could be used rather than the term "observer". He stated that he has attended events in the past to see how the camp is run and that he would not attend if he felt he was not welcome. He was sure that everyone was sensitive to the issue.

4c. CAMP MATHER
WEST COAST WOMEN'S MUSIC AND COMEDY FESTIVAL
OFF-SEASON LEASE (Continued)

President O'Connor stated that Ms. Tyler was willing to drop "by mutual agreement".

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15921

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a five-year lease to the West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival for production of Labor Day Festivals at Camp Mather.

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Ms. Tsenin commended the staff for their tireless efforts to reach agreement on this matter.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Vincent J. Nosal, representing Lincoln Park Golf Club, discussed the mandatory golf cart requirement and urged that they be given the choice of walking the course. He wanted to see this portion of the golf policy reviewed and wanted to know how much revenue golf course operations generate.

Nancy Cohrs, representing Harding Park Women's Golf Club, spoke about the mandatory golf cart requirement and stated that her club applauded the efforts of Tom Culligan (sponsor of City Golf Tournament) and the Commission's decision to reverse the mandatory golf cart requirement for the City Tournament. She felt her club deserved the same dispensation the City Tournament was afforded and stated that mandatory carts do not speed up play. She urged the Commission to rescind the mandatory cart requirement for the City home clubs.

Norma Ensner, representing Lincoln Park Women's Golf Club, stated that although the Commission has said it will not address the mandatory golf cart requirement until July it already voted in 12/90 to make an exception to this policy.

Arlene Segraves, representing Lincoln Park Women's Club, pointed out that Pacific Womens' Golf Association holds tournaments throughout the year and the Harding and Lincoln Women Clubs are invited to participate in these games. She stated that this golf cart requirement will affect and alter this tournament. She hoped that the Harding/Lincoln Golf clubs would be exempted from the golf cart requirement and felt that the revenue generated from this would not be great.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT (Continued)**

Carol Hotnit-Callen, representing Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth, explained that Coleman has put together its own budget for the City's children and youth. Recreation is a very important service for children. She recommended additional afterschool and latchkey programs which could be implemented through creativity. Coleman proposes a surcharge for the golf rounds, perhaps a $1.00 charge, with .75¢ targeted for children services and .25¢ allocated for golf course maintenance. She stated that Recreation and Park Department, generally, is sitting on a gold mine and it is very important to maximize it for children.

Francisco Lopez, spoke as a citizen and as an employee of the School District, and commended the Recreation Division. He explained that the School District is planning to phase out the children center programs for 4th & 5th grade students which will place an additional burden on the City's recreation centers. He wanted the recreation centers to offer more cultural and linguistic services for the City's bilingual children.

Mary Gregory, representing the Randall Museum Society, talked about the curator position at the Randall Museum. She explained that an extensive search was conducted for this position and a qualified person was found who is willing to work part-time. She felt it was terribly important to reinstate this position because the animal room is the core of the Museum. She urged the Commission to reconsider this matter.

Diddo Clark, representing the Golden Gate Swimmers, asked that the Commission to correct the minutes of 12/20/90 to show that the Commission voted to promote group public access.

Elaine Cady, representing Golden Gate Swimmers, asked that the Commission to correct the minutes of 12/20/90 to show that the Commission voted to promote group public access. She stated that the Commission rejected the staff proposal and wanted the minutes to state that the Commission will veto any rules if they exclude U.S. Masters Swimming groups.

Richard Warren, representing Golden Gate Swimmers, asked the Commission to correct the minutes of 12/20/90 to show that the Commission voted to promote group public access. He explained that he attended the December Commission meeting and felt that the Commission approved a resolution that the City owned facilities would be made available to the Point Bonita Swim and to other U. S. Master sanctioned events.

Commissioner Orr stated that procedures and criteria for sponsorship will be reviewed by the Commission in the near future. He explained that the Commission plans to approve a set of rules for both clubs which will have to allow for something other than Dolphin/South End Clubs under the terms of sponsorship for the clubs. After formulation of these rules, if a club is denied access, the group may appeal to the Commission. He stated that the 12/20/90 minutes accurately reflected the Commission's intent.

Commissioner Guggenhime asked questions regarding the mandatory golf cart requirement.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT (Continued)

President O'Connor suggested that perhaps the mandatory golf cart requirement for men's and women's clubs should be considered by the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee in the near future.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

San Francisco, California
February 4, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1991 - 3:00 P.M.

The Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, February 4, 1991, at 3:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. **ROLL CALL**

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Frances McAteer
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. **CIVIC CENTER PLAZA**
PERMIT APPLICATION
MULTI-DAY EVENT

Consideration of the request for a permit for a "Peace Vigil" multi-day event at Civic Center Plaza.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the Commission has received a request from the Friends of the Persian Gulf Peace Camp for a permit to erect props, a literature table and an awning for weather protection in conjunction with a peace vigil in Civic Center Plaza. The request is for a two week period.

2. CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
PERMIT APPLICATION
MULTI-DAY EVENT (Continued)

Statement of General Manager, Mary E. Burns (Continued)

The Commission's Permits and Reservation Policy is concerned with the impact of multiple day events on parks generally. Thus, the Commission has reserved unto itself the authority to approve permits for events of more than a day's duration. In addition, requests for certain facilities, such as Union Square and Civic Center, which are designated for large gatherings and particularly for First Amendment Right activities are given special review and attention. Times of crisis created by events such as the Middle East War put a tremendous demand on certain parks, such as Civic Center. Often large events take place with very little advance planning or notice; witness the large gatherings in Civic Center the past two weekends. It is, therefore, prudent for the Commission to give special consideration to the request for a permit to erect the props in support of a two week peace vigil in the plaza.

The applicant already used Civic Center Plaza for a number of days two weeks ago without permission. After several days, Ms. Burns informed Police Chief Willis Casey that no permission had been granted to erect structures or to camp or sleep in the Plaza. Ms. Burns also wrote to Mr. Peter Arkes, who had requested use of the Plaza and informed him that no permission had been granted and that his group was subject to certain restrictions unless the Commission granted them a permit.

Subsequently, Ms. Burns was contacted by Mr. Allan Schlosser of the American Civil Liberties Union requesting more information on what would be permissible in Civic Center. On Monday, January 28, 1991 she met with Mr. Schlosser, Mr. Arkes (who had originally requested the permit), Mr. Jon Katz (whose request is now before the Commission) and others regarding their request. As a result of that meeting Mr. Katz has applied for a permit to erect props in Civic Center Plaza for a two week period. The letter requesting the permit does not indicate the number of persons expected to participate in the vigil. If the number of participants does not exceed 50 the group proposing the event need not obtain a permit for the people to be there under Park Code Section 7.08. The structures or props do require a permit in every case. The props proposed as part of the vigil are to include 3 plywood cutouts of palm trees, two cardboard-tube palm trees, six plywood cutouts of tanks, two drop cloths covered with sand, and a banner. Their application states that the participants will remain at the site on a 24-hours basis during the vigil.

There are several facts the Commission should consider in reviewing the application for a permit. First, and foremost is that because of events in the Middle East it is possible that other groups will want to use Civic Center Plaza for large gatherings to express their position on the war. In the past, we have generally tried to grant permission for only one group to use a particular facility. Given the magnitude of attendance at the rallies over the last two weekends, it is also possible that upcoming events may overwhelm the space. It is possible that the size of the crowds may not be compatible with the props as proposed.

2. CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
PERMIT APPLICATION
MULTI-DAY EVENT (Continued)

Statement of General Manager, Mary E. Burns (Continued)

The vigil in and of itself may act as an attraction for other groups and individuals. In fact, in the meeting on Monday, Mr. Katz stated that when they were in the Plaza previously, several individuals unassociated with the vigil put down sleeping bags and camped in the area of the vigil. The Commission should take steps to ensure that any permit it authorizes not encourage camping or sleeping in the Civic Center because such activities are incompatible with its function.

Finally, the precedent of multiple day events is a cause for concern. This Commission is very aware of the many, often conflicting requests for the use of parks. Many people use parks for quiet enjoyment. The Commission's policy seeks to ensure the opportunity for citizens to sit and enjoy a park for its aesthetic qualities, without having to assimilate political slogans, commercial messages and other interests. This interest is always balanced against a citizen's ability to exercise First Amendment rights. Department records show that 2 applications for permits for multiple day events for Civic Center including the erection of structures were granted in 1990. Each was for a total of 3 days.

Limiting the proposed event to 3 days (rather than granting the permit for a two-week period) would serve additional interests. The Commission must guard against the appearance of City or Commission sponsorship of the views expressed by those participating in the vigil. An important Commission objective is to maintain the neutrality of its public forums. This ensures that all citizens of all political persuasions understand that they too may use the parks for the expression of their views. Further, allowing any one group to use park property on a continuous basis would affect the character of the Plaza -- that of a public park intended for the daily recreational use of residents and workers in the area. It is also essential that the Commission retain control of the Plaza in anticipation that other groups will request access to the facility as events in the Middle East change.

Because of each of these concerns, Ms. Burns recommended that the Commission deny the application for a permit to erect the props for a two-week period. Consistent with past practice, the Commission should approve a permit for the props to be used as part of the vigil for three days. The Commission should inform the applicant that the props are to be limited to those requested in their letter of application. In addition, the Commission should warn that no permission is given for anyone to sleep or camp in the Plaza as part of this activity. Assurance must be given by the applicants that no food distribution to the general public will be allowed as part of their vigil.

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question, Mr. Arkes explained that the information table was not considered as part of the props.

Peter Arkes, representing the Peace Camp, explained that he wanted to be able to set up an informational table at Civic Center Plaza to keep interested individuals informed about the Gulf Peace Camp and future demonstrations. He felt it was very important to have some sort of presence at the Plaza regarding this vigil for peace.

2. CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
PERMIT APPLICATION
MULTI-DAY EVENT (Continued)

Mr. Arkes further explained that since the Police Department removed their items the current display is shabby with only a piece of wood on the ground. He preferred to have a table and chairs so they can talk to interested people about the peace camp.

Jon Katz, representing the Friends of the Persian Gulf Peace Camp, explained that the vigil, complete with props, was in place at the Plaza during the recent rallies and did not interfere with rallies or any functions of the Plaza. He further explained that the issue of the overnight campers was resolved when he moved the vigil from the fountain area to a location near the trees in the park. He stated that he needed to discuss whether it would be worthwhile to install the props and vigil for three days. He further explained that in the event another peace camp is established in the Middle East props would have to be used again. Mr. Katz discussed the literature table and explained that his group may apply for an ongoing, extended permit to place a literature table in the park.

Ann Salsbury, representing the American Civil Liberties Union, supported the permit application.

Commissioner Ruiz asked who would be responsible to monitor people sleeping in the park and/or if food was distributed.

Ms. Burns explained that enforcement of the terms of permit rests with the Police Department.

Commissioner McAteer asked the permit applicant to enumerate the number of props.

Mr. Katz explained that the props consist of three plywood cutouts of palm trees approximately 7-8' tall, six plywood cutouts of tanks, four measuring less than 4' x 8'; the other two are approximately 6' by 8'; two palm trees 6' tall, one banner and one table. Part of the props consists of some sort of temporary stand with an awning in case of rainy weather. The entire area occupies a space 15' deep by 35' wide. He further explained that he expected 5-10 people at a time to visit and staff the vigil.

In response to Commissioner Chan's inquiry, Mr. Katz explained that it was too time consuming and costly to remove and install the props on a daily basis.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15922

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a permit for a "Peace Vigil" for a three-day period at Civic Center Plaza, under the following conditions:

- the props are to be limited to those requested in the Friends of the Persian Gulf Peace Camp application letter of 1/29/91;
- no permission is given for anyone to sleep or camp in Civic Center Plaza as part of this activity;
- no food distribution to the general public will be allowed as part of the vigil.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No Public Comment was received.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shawna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

San Francisco, California
February 21, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

656TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Fifty-Sixth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, February 21, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Frances McAteer (noted present at 2:10 p.m.)
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 2:05 p.m.)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the minutes of the Special Meeting of January 9, 1991, were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 17, 1991, were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the minutes of the Special Meeting of January 22, 1991, were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the minutes of the Special Meeting of February 4, 1991, were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns submitted the following report:

"WORLD CUP SOCCER 1994

Candlestick Park is being considered as one of 30 potential sites in the United States to host World Cup Soccer matches in 1994. The Department will be meeting with the Organizing Committee to finalize the bid for use of Candlestick Park. Bids must be submitted by May 1, 1991 with the final decision as to the actual sites to host the games being made at a later time. A major unresolved issue at this time is the availability of Candlestick due to the overlapping of the games and the Giants schedule.

HUNTERS POINT GYM

Several weeks ago the Chief Administrative Officer contacted this department and informed us that the basketball floor formerly used by the Warriors in Civic Auditorium was no longer being used and was available to us. We inspected the floor and found it to be in good condition. It is now being installed at the Hunters Point Gym where the floor had been damaged by water leaks. Installation will be completed this month.

BUDGET REDUCTIONS

The Department has just been informed that the Controller has reduced appropriations for various capital projects by a total of $155,000. The most severe impact is on the golf courses which lost over $96,000 as a result of these reductions. These reductions occurred because sewer service charges to this department in 1989-90 exceeded budgeted funds and the Controller used the capital project funds to make up the difference. In the current fiscal year, sewer service charges are again exceeding budgeted funds. Our staff is meeting with representatives of the Clean Water Program to identify ways to bring these charges in line with our current budget.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION EXAMINATION RESULTS

The Civil Service Commission recently adopted the Class 3280 Assistant Recreation Director eligible list on January 24, 1991, and the Class 3284 Recreation Director eligible list on February 6, 1991. However, many of the Department's current employees did not take the examinations, and consequently, will have to be laid off.

HIRING FREEZE

The Mayor has put a hiring freeze into effect. The effect on the Department is that with few exceptions, any positions that become vacant now cannot be filled until the end of the year. However, our best information is that the freeze will not affect any of our summer programs.

Commissioner Ruiz arrived at the meeting

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

DROUGHT UPDATE

On Tuesday, February 26th, the Public Utilities Commission is expected to announce the new water rationing guidelines for all of the water users on the Hetch Hetchy system. It is fully expected that the water allotments will be more restrictive than those currently in use which allow for 40% of the water used in 1987. To meet the expected cuts in our allotments, the Park Division is developing water management plans for each of its facilities. These plans will prioritize landscape irrigation, specifying which areas will receive adequate water and which will receive no water. In addition to the water management plans, the Department is looking at areas that can be relandscaped with more drought-tolerant plant material, the removal of curbside lawn strips, and more efficient irrigation systems.

ZOO ATTENDANCE AND REVENUE

Zoo Director, David Anderson, has reported that revenue for the period July 1, 1990 - February 19, 1991 was $1,379,789 compared to $1,167,919 for the same period last year. Attendance over the recent 3-day President's Day weekend was a record-breaking 28,463. In spite of a drop-off in attendance at some of our other facilities, the Zoo is slightly ahead of attendance and revenue projections for this year.

NEW PHONE SYSTEM

Beginning the week of March 4th, new telephone instruments will be installed in McLaren Lodge and the Annex. While the existing phone numbers will not change, there may be some disruption of normal phone services as we all learn to use the new system.

MARTIN LUTHER KING SWIM MEET

The annual Martin Luther King Swim Meet will be held at Martin Luther King Pool on Saturday, February 23rd, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. At 12 noon Zelma Buffin, an Aquatics Advisory Board member will be honored by proclamations presented by the Office of the Mayor and the Board of Supervisors for her long-time involvement in and dedication to the City of San Francisco. The celebration will also feature demonstrations of emergency water safety techniques, demonstrations of children's and adult classes, and a performance by San Francisco's synchronized swim team, the Merrionettes, featuring nationally ranked young swimmers. You are invited to attend.

RECREATION AND PARK TEEN PROGRAM EVENT

The Recreation and Park Department Teen Program is pleased to announce "Young Black and Rising," a special program and dance developed for teens by teens in honor of Black History Month. This program will be held at Glen Park Recreation Center on Saturday, February 23, 4:00 p.m. to 12 midnight. Teens from various high schools in San Francisco developed planning committees to organize and implement this special program featuring a talent show and a play, as well as a dance. The event will be chaperoned by recreation directors and supervisors, volunteers, parents and representatives from various community organizations.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

RANDALL MUSEUM SCIENCE FAIR

The 10th Annual Middle School Science Fair co-sponsored by the Recreation and Park Department, the San Francisco Unified School District, and the Archdiocese of San Francisco, will be held at the Randall Museum beginning February 25 with the awards presentation ceremony on Saturday, March 2nd, beginning at 11:00 a.m. This year over 3,000 students will be competing in the categories of biology and physics, physical sciences, behavioral, social and health sciences. This is one of the truly outstanding programs the Department sponsors. If you have not ever attended, I would encourage you to do so.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S MUSICAL THEATRE

Another activity sponsored by the Recreation and Park Department is the Young People's Musical Theatre Company which is a highly polished group of young performing artists, age 13 - 20 years. You are invited to attend their presentation of "Sugar" on March 14 - 17 at the Randall Museum. This musical comedy is based on the movie "Some Like it Hot" and from my first-hand knowledge of past performances by this group, "Sugar" should be another professional and entertaining show. Ticket information can be obtained by calling the Museum or by purchase at the door.

NOAH'S ARK UPDATE

Yesterday staff conferred with Commissioners Guggenhime, McAteer and Chan to evaluate the status of the Noah's Ark event. As of today, ticket sales for the event has not met our expectations, the reasons possibly being the timing: war, recession, or personal commitments. It has been suggested that we cancel the event and consider either rescheduling or redirecting our efforts towards something such as a golf tournament in the fall. Therefore, based upon our need to meet the budget requirements of this event and conversations with the Commissioners, I am recommending that the Noah's Ark event be cancelled. Staff will be meeting to prepare for the Finance Committee a timely and detailed plan for redirecting our efforts.

LICENSING FOR TINY TOT AND LATCH KEY PROGRAMS

Due to a change in State licensing regulations Dave Martin of the Joint League of California Cities and the California Parks and Recreation Society Child Care Task Force has advised us that latchkey and drop-in programs will need State licensing in order to operate. However, recreation tiny tot programs have been exempted from State licensing procedures if they meet the following criteria: programs may not be held during the morning and afternoon of the same day and participants in the program may not be older than 4 years 9 months. Mr. Martin informed us that State officials have cancelled some latchkey and drop-in programs because of the licensing requirement. Staff will attend a meeting on February 25 to further examine the problem of latchkey and drop-in recreation programs and I will provide a further update at a subsequent Commission meeting.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

DESIGN AWARD FOR 6TH AND FOLSOM PARK AND RECREATION CENTER

The Department will be given the Special Award for Excellence by the California Park and Recreation Society (CPRS) for the 6th and Folsom facility. The award will be presented at the annual CPRS convention to be held in Santa Clara on March 8th. This represents the top award for the design of a recreational facility throughout the state. The architectural consultants for the project were Marquis and Associates who have recently been retained to design the new Richmond Center.

MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT

The following are claims under $5,000 settled by the City Attorney's Office for the month of January, 1991:

Claimant	Amount
Johnson	$ 840.06
Fong	791.04
Milam	1,500.00
Doolan	749.87

SHARON ARTS STUDIO

Because of the continued questions about staffing at the Sharon Arts Studio, we will calendar that item for a hearing at the next Recreation Program Committee Meeting.

RETIREMENTS

Richard Mallet	3417 Gardener	32 years
Willie Sampson	2708 Custodian	31 years

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday, February 22, 1991	Cherry Blossom Lunch, 12 noon, County Fair Building
Wednesday, February 27, 1991	Recreation Program and Mather Committee, 3:30 p.m. Fulton Playground
Monday, March 4, 1991	Golden Gate Park Committee, 3:00 p.m. (tour) 4:00 p.m. (meeting) McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, March 6, 1991	Jt. Zoo Committee, 4:30 p.m., (tour) 5:00 p.m. (meeting)
Thursday, March 7, 1991	Parks & Planning Committee, 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, March 7, 1991	Finance & Yacht Harbor Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, March 7, 1991	Strybing Arboretum Urban Landscape Design Awards Dinner, 6:30 p.m., Fairmont Hotel
Monday, March 18, 1991	St. Patrick's Day Lunch, 12 noon, Sigmund Stern Grove"

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4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15923

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period January 7, 1991 through February 6, 1991.

b. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15924
TENTH ANNUAL KIMOCHI/CHERRY BLOSSOM RUN-WALK
ROAD CLOSURES

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for road closures for the 1991 Tenth Annual Kimochi/Cherry Blossom Run-Walk on Sunday, April 14, 1991.

c. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15925
CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO MARATHON
ROAD CLOSURES

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for the City of San Francisco Marathon 1991 to be held on Sunday, June 23, 1991.

d. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15926
ANNUAL LE TOUR DE SAN FRANCISCO
ROAD CLOSURES

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for road closures in Golden Gate Park for the 12th Annual Le Tour de San Franccisco on Sunday, July 14, 1991.

e. S.F. MIME TROUPE — RES. NO. 15927
TWO-DAY EVENTS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for the San Francisco Mime Troupe to reserve Sunken Meadow in Golden Gate Park for a two-day event Labor Day Weekend: Saturday, August 31 through Sunday, September 1, 1991, and to reserve Mission Dolores Park for a two-day event on Saturday/Sunday, July 6-7, 1991 at specified times.

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR** (Continued)

f. **CIVIC CENTER PLAZA** RES. NO. 15928
INCREASE IN PROJECT CONTINGENCY

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves increasing the project contingency to Golden Bay Construction in the amount of $40,000 from "unassigned" for installation of new drinking fountains, new drain inlets and other miscellaneous work at Civic Center Plaza.

g. **SHARP PARK** RES. NO. 15929
MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves increasing the modification of contract with Phil Williams and Associates for contract extension from 4/16/91 to 12/31/91, for the development of a Habitat Enhancement Plan for Sharp Park and approval of increase in the contract fee in an amount not to exceed $4,590.

h. **HAYES VALLEY PLAYGROUND** RES. NO. 15930
AWARD OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract in the amount of $127,480 to Cuevas-Mannion Construction, Inc. for the rehabilitation of Hayes Valley Playground.

i. **LAUREL HILL PLAYGROUND** RES. NO. 15931
AWARD OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract in the amount of $94,843 to J.M. Construction for the rehabilitation of Laurel Hill Playground.

j. **KEZAR STADIUM** RES. NO. 15932
INCREASE IN CONTRACT CONTINGENCY

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves increasing the contract contingency to Amoroso/Varrett Construction in the amount of $100,000 for irrigation improvements at Kezar Stadium.

k. **GOLDEN GATE PARK SENIOR CENTER** RES. NO. 15933
GOLDEN GATE PARK RESURFACING
TRANSFER OF FUNDS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the transfer of $5,646.40 excess capital project funds from the Golden Gate Park Senior Center project to be incorporated into the Golden Gate Park resurfacing capital project, in accordance with Section 6.305 of the City Charter.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

l. **MARINA YACHT HARBOR** RES. NO. 15934
GAS HOUSE COVE
RENT CREDIT

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the $500.00 rent credit for repairs to pile yokes at Gashouse Cove Marina during the winter of 1990.

m. **POTRERO DEL SOL PARK** RES. NO. 15935
TEMPORARY USE PERMIT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the temporary use permit for construction scaffold at Potrero del Sol Park.

n. **SMALL MARINA GREEN** RES. NO. 15936
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the requests from Michael Levine, Events West, in conjunction with the St. Francis Yacht Club to reserve space at the Small Marina Green on Monday, August 19, 1991 through Monday, August 26, 1991 at specified times for the presentation of the 1991 U.S. Boardsailing Championships.

o. **JAPANTOWN PEACE PLAZA** RES. NO. 15937
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the requests from the 1991 Cherry Blossom Festival Committee to hold multiple day events at the Japantown Peace Plaza at specified times on April 12-14, 1991 and April 19-21, 1991.

p. **GREAT HIGHWAY** RES. NO. 15938
SAN FRANCISCO 50 KILOMETER CHALLENGE SKATE RACE
ROAD CLOSURES

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the requests for road closures at specified locations at the Great Highway on Saturday, March 9, 1991 at specified times for the San Francisco 50 Kilometer Challenge Skate Race.

q. **OCEAN VIEW PLAYGROUND** RES. NO. 15939
CLOSURE OF OUTDOOR AREA

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the community request to close the outdoor area at Ocean View Playground from 10:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m.

r. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT** RES. NO. 15940
MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM PLAN

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Department's three year Management Information System plan.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

s. **TEST WELLS**
VARIOUS LOCATIONS
RES. NO. 15941

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposal to drill a series of test wells within Recreation and Park property from the the Public Utilities Commission and the U.S. Geological Survey.

t. **HARDING, LINCOLN, SHARP PARK GOLF COURSES**
MANDATORY GOLF CART RULE
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S GOLF CLUBS
AMENDMENT TO GOLF COURSE POLICY
RES. NO. 15942

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the amendment to Golf Course Policy to exempt the men's and women's golf clubs from mandatory golf cart rule.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Eickman, Guggenhime, O'Connor, Orr, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner McAteer

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. **SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS**
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Ratification of the animal transactions (processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained the hippopotamus and colubus monkey were sold because they were considered surplus to the Zoo's collection.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15943

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

SOLD TO: Honolulu Zoo
151 Kapahulu Drive
Honolulu, Hawaii 96815
USDA 95-C-1

One (1) female river hippopotamus, valued at $500.00
One (1) male and one (1) female colubus monkey, valued at $1,500.00 the pair
Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Chan, Eickman, Guggenhime, O'Connor, Orr, Ruiz
Absent: McAteer

Commissioner McAteer arrived at the meeting

6. FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ACQUISITION, LOAN AND DISPOSITION POLICY

Approval of San Francisco Zoological Gardens' Acquisition, Loan and Disposition Policy.

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained that the Joint Zoo Committee began reviewing the Acquisition, Loan and Disposition Policy last October. This policy, written in 1980, needed to be updated to meet some of the new ethical and humane standards of today's Zoos. A special in-house staff meeting was held to discuss this matter and comments were received through the union, docents, volunteers, humane groups and the public. Many drafts and revisions were done on this proposed policy which will bring the San Francisco Zoo in the forefront of standards for acquisition and disposition of animals. Mr. Anderson further explained that this document was a representation of public participation and remarked that the Zoo has received compliments from several groups including the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

President O'Connor noted that much effort and input was given to develop this proposed policy and she felt all parties were ultimately pleased with the document.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15944

INTRODUCTION The San Francisco Zoological Gardens has a responsibility to manage its animal collection to further its goals in conservation, education, recreation and research. It has a responsibility for the welfare of each individual animal in the collection as well as a long-term responsibility to further conservation of each species.

Long-range animal management plans shall be established for each species within the Zoo's collection. Breeding shall be undertaken for three reasons: first, to contribute to conservation programs such as Species Survival Plans (SSP) of the American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums, which maintain viable captive populations of endangered species; second, to provide for the Zoo's educational exhibit needs or those of other accredited zoological institutions; and third, to contribute to wildlife re-introduction and release programs.

In cooperation with the American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums, the University of California, Davis, School of Veterinary Medicine, and other institutions, the most advanced technology available shall be used to manage the reproductive process to maintain the proper age and sexual distribution within populations of captive species and to plan production so that the number of offspring are appropriate to the exhibition and conservation needs of each species. Every effort shall be made to breed only when additional specimens are needed and when adequate space and care of offspring is available. To accomplish these ends, it is necessary to acquire, relocate, loan and sell animals. It is the professional responsibility of the Zoo Director and his staff to accomplish these transactions in a humane and responsible manner. All acquisitions, loans and dispositions are made subject to state, federal and international law and upon approval of the Zoo Director.

6. FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS RES. NO. 15944
ACQUISITION, LOAN AND DISPOSITION POLICY (Continued (Continued))

All animals acquired by th Zoo either by purchase, exchange or trade, donation, or birth are the property of the City and County of San Francisco. Transactions involving sale, purchase, exchange or field collection of these animals are subject to the approval of the Recreation and Park Commission. Authority is delegated to the Zoo Director by the Recreation and Park Commission to move, accept or collect an animal prior to official action, recognizing that delegation of such authority is required to carry out the Zoo Director's professional responsibilities and ensure the welfare of the animals in a timely manner. Ratification of these transactions by the Commission is required.

Animals acquired and held by the Zoological Society are held in trust for the City by the San Francisco Zoological Society, in support of the conservation and education purposes of the San Francisco Zoological Gardens, and subject to acquisition, loan and disposition policies herein. Additionally, qualified members of the farm community, as defined in the qualification guidelines, may serve as resources for acquisition and disposition of domestic animals.

Disposition of animals belonging to other zoos and institutions which are on loan to the San Francisco Zoo will be determined by the owning institution. The San Francisco Zoo in these cases will provide suggestions for appropriate disposition.

Animals may be loaned to zoological institutions and qualified private individuals for exhibition, propagation, study or to further their well-being at the discretion of the Zoo Director.

Recommendations of SSP propogation committees and quality of the recipient institution will take precedence over price in determining the disposition of an animal. Animals with little or no market value may be donated to approved institutions or individuals.

The Zoo Director and his staff will develop qualification policy and establish procedures - in addition to those required by state, federal or international law - for determining suitability, license status and animal management capabilities of the individual or institution receiving the animals. The qualification policy and procedures will be developed subsequent to the approval of this Acquisition, Loan and Disposition Policy and shall be presented to the Recreation and Park Commission for its approval.

The San Francisco Zoo is committed to holding at the Zoo or responsibly placing all animals currently in the Zoo collection as Zoo 2000 is developed. The San Francisco Zoo is committed to enacting the breeding policy and animal management program described in this document. Managed reproduction with the long term goal of survival of the species requires genetic diversity to sustain populations, and despite the best efforts of the zoological conservation community, some over-population may occur. In the long-term, should the Zoo be unable to provide housing or locate a suitable home for an animal, euthanasia may be used but only with the prior approval of the Recreation and Park Commission after a 120 day period for public comment.

6. FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ACQUISITION, LOAN AND DISPOSITION POLICY (Continued

RES. NO. 15944
(Continued))

ACQUISITION Animals may be obtained by the San Francisco Zoological Gardens or the Zoological Society either through purchase, donation, exchange or on loan from other institutions. Animals are acquired from recognized sources such as other zoos, animal dealers and authorized private individuals. Field collection to advance the conservation purposes of the zoo, shall be limited to injured or salvaged animals, invertebrates, or to acquire specific genetic requirements for species managed in AAZPA Species Survival Plans, captive breeding specialist groups of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature, or other formal wildlife education, reproduction, rescue, re-introduction and release programs such as those established by the State of California, the Madagascar Fauna Group or the Central American Zoo Outreach Group.

No exotic animals are bred used or sold as food except invertebrates. Food animals (such as rodents, crickets, mealworms, chickens) - those animals used to feed carnivorous animals - are acquired and disposed of in a humane manner and subject to relevant laws and regulations. Feral, wild or abandoned animals captured on zoo grounds will be sent to Animal Control.

LOAN & DISPOSITION Animals from the San Francisco Zoological Gardens may be sold or loaned to qualified institutions or qualified private individuals, in accordance with approved qualification policy and procedures. Care will be taken to insure the recipient will provide adequate care for the animals. Preference will be given to zoological institutions. Should an animal be considered for placement at a research institution, the facility of the institution must meet Zoo housing standards, meet qualification guidelines and procedures (above), and the specific research purpose for the animal must advance the goals of the San Francisco Zoological Gardens. Any exceptions to these requirements for placement at a research institution shall require a period of 120 days for public comment. No use of zoo animals for human medical research will be permitted. Animals will not be sold at auction nor will they be sold to shooting ranches. A condition of every sale or donation will be that the recipient of the animal also will not dispose of these animals to auctions or shooting ranches. Further, non-accredited recipients agree to inform the Zoo of further disposition of the animal. Accredited institutions may be requested to inform the Zoo of further disposition or provide a copy of their own acquisition and disposition policy.

Euthanasia has not been used at the San Francisco Zoo for other than humane medical reasons to end an animal's suffering. Euthanasia for medical reasons may be ordered by the Zoo Director at his discretion without prior approval from the Recreation and Park Commission. The Zoo Director will base his decision, in these cases, on the recommendation of the veterinarian, the curatorial and animal keeper staff. Euthanasia will be performed in accordance with the AVMA's recommended euthanasia procedures. Euthanasia is approved and accepted policy in the reproductive management program for invertebrates and some lower vertebrate species at the Zoo.

6. **FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS** RES. NO. 15944
ACQUISITION, LOAN AND DISPOSITION POLICY (Continued (Continued))

DECEASED ANIMALS Animals which die at the Zoo will be disposed of subject to local, state, federal and international law. The first priority utilization for these remains is the necropsy to determine the cause of death. Second priority will be given to the utilization of their remains including tissue samples, organ systems, skins and bones for research within the scientific community. The third priority will be use of the specimen or parts thereof for educational purposes either within the zoo or at other facilities. Animal parts will not be used for commercial purposes or personal use.

RELEASE There may also be occasions when animals are released in the wild. This will be done in accordance with local, state, federal and international law and in conjunction with governmental agencies or land managers who have responsibility for the areas in which they are to be released.

PUBLIC RECORDS Complete records of all transactions are maintained by the Zoo Director in the Zoo Office and a monthly report of changes in inventory is transmitted to the General Manager and is a matter of public record.

7. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
KEZAR STADIUM
OPERATION PLAN

Approval of operation plan for Kezar Stadium.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that the Kezar plan was reviewed by the Golden Gate Park Committee. She explained that a number of changes have been made to the policy, both to clarify the proposed plan and to address some of the issues brought up through inquiries from the public. Ms. Learner outlined the key elements of the proposed operation and permit policy:

°Primary Function of the Stadium
°Staffing Requirements
°Permit Priority Policy
°Concession rights/food sales
°Capacity of the Stadium
°Hours of Operation
°Permit Requirements
°Fee Schedule
°Reservation requirements

Ms. Learner explained that the stadium capacity was designed for 10,000 because that is the "carrying capacity" of available parking at the most favorable times. The use of the stadium by more than 10,000 would require a supplemental environmental evaluation. The Fire Marshall occupancy rate will permit attendance in excess of 21,000 based on entry/exit dimensions. Ms. Learner explained that the Commission may wish to determine that events over 10,000 would not be permitted at the facility.

7. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
KEZAR STADIUM
OPERATION PLAN (Continued)

Ms. Learner further explained that Commission approval will be required for:
°Multiple day events
°Road closures (Waller St.)
°Reservation requested more than 1 year in advance.
°Increase in time permitted for closure in advance of a permitted event.
°Events over 10,000, pending completion of supplemental environmental evaluation

°Ms. Learner defined the amplified sound requirements and restrictions:

Amplified Sound parameters as defined in current Permit and Reservation Policy: Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., no more than 4 hours per day; no more than 3 days in any one week although staff recommends that this should be changed to one day in any one week. Augmented system may be brought in for special events and a sound tower placement plan should be developed. Athletic events that use a public address system to announce events, and play-by-play is exempt from above policy.

Ms. Learner discussed some of the concerns expressed by the public:

°**Revenue Producing Activities** - In the Master Plan there is a specific goal that referenced an objective to determine new revenue generating issues and events for the area.
°**The number of large events held** - In the recent past, the vast majority of events held there were small, low key community events. In the last years before the stadium was demolished the annual events which exceeded 5,000 numbered from 3 to a maximum of 7 events.
°**Access to the stadium** - There there is a commitment to have access to the stadium but there should also be supervision of the area since the track and field surfaces must be protected.
°**Lighting for field events** - The Master Plan provided for security and field lighting. The field lights will be aimed directly to the field and will be shielded. The second level of lighting is for track use and the third level of lighting is for promenade and security lighting. Ms. Learner also proposed that the Commission may wish to review the operation and permit policy in six months.

William P. Dillon, M.D., representing the Woodland Avenue Association, expressed concern about public accessibility to the stadium and the impact of the stadium on the neighborhood. He stated that many people remember the parking problems and vandalism which occurred in the area when the 49ers played at this stadium. He was also concerned about the impact of amplified sound, lighting from large events and the placement of the fence. He stated that he voted for the bond issue but felt that the terms of the bond issue had not been fulfilled.

Ms. Learner explained that there is a certain decibel level for the sound system and that it is only for public address use although there are provisions for augmented sound. The public address system is designed to focus sound delivery on a certain area. Ms. Learner explained that the promenade is 15 to 20 feet wide and the fence will be placed outside of the promenade.

7. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR STADIUM
OPERATION PLAN (Continued)

Calvin Welch, representing the Inner Sunset Haight Ashbury Polytechnic Coalition, explained that he participated in the Kezar master plan process and felt that the terms of the bond issue had not been fulfilled. He stated that the voter ballot arguments for Proposition D (Recreation and Park Bond Issue) gave a clear statement that the principle uses of Kezar will be to provide for the revitalization of the stadium and adjacent park areas to better meet the recreational needs of community groups and local high school and sports league. Supervisor Gonzalez's ballot argument statement read: "...Proposition D represents our City-wide commitment to wholesome safe public recreation for youth of all ages." He explained that the public was sold the concept of access and community use and was given a facility whose primary use will be for income producing sporting events. He stated that commitments were made that the stadium would be a community oriented, open facility to fit into the surrounding neighborhood. He urged the Commission to reject the plan.

Jim Rhoads, representing the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council, questioned the process that was used for the Kezar Stadium plan. He asked when and where public hearings were held regarding the plan. He felt that commitments were made which have been forgotten. He was concerned about the lighting issue because there may be more income events in the evening than anyone ever contemplated. He urged that the plan be stopped and reviewed again because the community had not been part of the planning process.

Alvin Pelavin, explained that he lived through the Kezar years when the stadium held 60,000 and was pleased and relieved to hear that the Master Plan reduced the capacity to 10,000. He was surprised and worried to see a capacity figure expanded to 20,000 and the option of having amplified sound 3-4 days a week. He did not appreciate the planning process and suggested that issues such as the arbor and the nature of the fence needed to be reviewed and discussed.

President O'Connor stated that perhaps a public hearing should be scheduled since there has been such concern expressed about this matter.

Commissioner Guggenhime suggested that the representatives of neighborhood groups should first meet with staff to discuss the issues before the public hearing is held in an attempt to narrow and focus the issues.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the Commission referred this matter to staff with the request to hold a meeting with the community representatives and then to have this matter calendared for consideration at a special Commission meeting.

8. **ARTIST GROUPS**
PARK POLICY

Approval of limitations of multiple-use of parks by various artists groups.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that the Parks and Planning Committee expressed concern regarding the number of days requested by the Artists Guild of San Francisco and the San Francisco Society of Fine Arts to stage outdoor art shows at various park sites. Staff was directed to re-examine the land use issue and proposed that any artist or artist group be allowed to use each site designated appropriate for artist shows one time only in each month. Staff also proposed that each permitted site shall be used no more than twice per month for art shows. If there are more requests than available dates, and no compromise can be reached, a lottery will be held in order to determine who will be granted the available dates. Staff further recommended that no person or group be allowed to reserve a date more than six months in advance.

President O'Connor stated that she could understand the Committee's concern regarding the use of Washington Square and Union Square but felt that the Marina Green and Hoover Redwood Grove, Golden Gate Park areas are much larger and could not be overwhelmed by artists groups.

Vice President Eickman concurred with President O'Connor sentiments and suggested that the staff recommendation be applicable to Union Square and Washington Square.

Jon Rife, representing the S.F. Artists' Guild, furnished the Commission diagrams of the portion of the parks used by artist groups. He stated that the artists receive positive responses from people who visit Union Square. The artists reserve one corner of Washington Square and share the park with other groups who want to use it. He proposed that they be allowed one weekend per location.

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question, Mr. Rife explained that each art group uses Washington Square once a month for two consecutive days.

Zeny Cieslikowski, a member of the S.F. Society of Fine Arts, stated that the parks provide a venue for artists to display their work in public. He highlighted other cities such as Santa Barbara, which recognize and promote artist groups by allowing them to display their work. He urged the Commission to promote the art program and to allow them to continue their current exhibition schedule.

Douglas Harris, a member of the Artists' Guild for 18 years, urged the Commission to consider allowing the artist groups one weekend at each of the facilities because it is easier for scheduling and planning purposes.

Chuck White, representing the S.F. Society of Fine Arts, stated that they need two consecutive days at each location and that a weekend is vital for the shows. He presented a packet of responses from the public who enjoy the art shows. He stated that these shows bring revenue to the park and that people and tourists love to browse through shows and spend time in the park.

8. ARTIST GROUPS
PARK POLICY (Continued)

Joan Shirley Boyd, representing the Artists' Guild, read a letter from Melinda Meyer, supporting art shows using City parks, which stated, in part, "...the outdoor shows, like the cable cars, add an indefinable spark to the City's ambiance."

Ben Saturen, representing the Artists' Guild, read a letter of support of the Artists' Guild use of Washington Square from the North Beach Chamber of Commerce. He stated that he has never heard anything negative from anyone in the community regarding the Guild and felt that the display of art in the park is something that should be encouraged.

Richard Bolingbrove, a member of the Artists' Guild, stated that the Artists' Guild provide a service to visitors and is a voluntary group of individual art makers who depend economically on regular park shows. He was opposed to the proposed six month reservation limit because they publish a yearly "schedule of events" brochure which is very costly to produce.

Nazim Ozel, representing the Artists' Guild, spoke about how artists are well received and treated in Western Europe and that artists often receive a salary for their work in this area of the world.

Bruce Fossum, representing the S.F. Artists' Guild, stated that the Guild offers something that is free and and accessible. He supported the Guild.

Lewis Suzuki, representing the S.F. Artists' Guild, explained that it is difficult to limit art shows to one day a weekend because of the weather and because out-of-town visitors often plan a weekend to shop or view a play and see the art shows. He urged that both groups be allowed to show two days a weekend and urged that they be permitted three days on Labor Day and Memorial Day.

Alexandra Cefalo, representing the S.F. Artists' Guild, felt it was very important to have artists and that limiting them could be construed as censorship. The community enjoys the art shows and many groups interact amicably with art shows in the parks.

Zanne Christensen, a member of the S. F. Artists' Guild, supported the proposal to have two day events and to be able to reserve parks one year in advance. It is awkward to not be able to tell interested people when one will show art work in the future. She read a letter of support from John Raymond, who lives across from Washington Square. His letter stated, in part, "...they contribute to the unique flavor of North Beach..."

Michael Koller, President of the S. F. Artists' Guild, echoed the sentiments of the previous speaker and explained that they had many letters of support from individuals and neighborhood organizations. He felt there was no problem with artists using the parks because both the community and tourists enjoy them. He urged the Commission to not change the current schedule.

John Sillivos, a member of the S.F. Artists' Guild, supported the art shows use of parks. He also read a letter of support from an individual who enjoyed talking to the artists.

8. ARTIST GROUPS
PARK POLICY (Continued)

Carolynne Griffin, a member of the S.F. Artists' Guild, stated that when Bernice Rogers of the Permits Reservation Desk issued permits there was a positive attitude. She wanted to show her art outdoors rather than a gallery and said people appreciated the art shows.

Zhee Singer, a member of the S.F. Society of Fine Arts, stated that the artists are trying to make a strong contribution to the City and that the community supports them.

Anna Chrasta, shows with both artist groups and felt that the art groups help young artists.

Sally Sargent, a member of the S.F. Artists' Guild, explained that there are 70 guild members and, at best, they can show 20 artists at one time at Union Square. Therefore, restricting it to one day a month limits them. She urged the Commission to consider two days a month and to be able to schedule one year in advance.

In response to President O'Connor's questions, Mr. Robinson explained that he had not received complaints about the art shows and that the six month restriction gives other user groups the opportunity to reserve parks.

Maria Rosina, a member of the S.F. Society of Fine Arts, supported the art show groups.

Kent Alexander, a member of the S.F. Artists' Guild, supported the previous testimony given and had letters of support from the North Beach Neighbors Association and Telegraph Hill Dwellers. The letters state that the art shows add character to the North Beach area.

President O'Connor noted that there has been a lot of support demonstrated by the speakers and the diagrams presented show that the groups use a small portion of the parks.

Commissioner Orr stated that he has received complaints regarding the art shows. He proposed that each group be permitted to use Union Square and Washington Square one weekend per month and that they be allowed to reserve dates for the entire year.

Vice President Eickman stated that the Committee felt there should be some restriction placed on art shows in the parks. He did not think that Washington Square and Union Square should have an art show every weekend.

Commissioner Ruiz explained that there has been no negative criticism received about the art groups and felt they should be allowed to use parks as much as they want. He felt that perhaps the Commission should discuss the area of the parks used by art groups.

General Manager Mary E. Burns, explained that she has received complaints about usage of parks by artists. Union Square, in particular, is a heavily utilized park and to have it reserved by artists every weekend restricts other uses of the park including those who want to enjoy a park as a park.

8. ARTIST GROUPS
PARK POLICY (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15945

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a policy whereby each artist group may use Washington Square and Union Square one weekend a month (for a maximum of two weekends) and there shall be no restrictions for art show use at Hoover Redwood Grove, Golden Gate Park, and Marina Green.

9. ARTISTS GROUPS
PERMIT FEE

Approval of a $125.00 flat rate per day fee for the use of designated park properties by artist groups.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that staff proposed to the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee a fee of $250 per day for a non-profit group and a fee of $500 per day for other groups. The Committee recommended a $125.00 fee per event, per group.

Richard Bolingbrove, read a letter from Michael Bell, curator at Oakland Museum of Modern Art, who urged the Commission to keep the fees at the present rate and if the City needed to raise revenues it should find another way.

Carolyn Griffin, requested that the fees be reasonable. She explained that in the past five years the art shows have given more income to the Department and felt there should be a compromise on the fees. She stated that the art show fees are comparable to the cost to display art in a gallery.

Anna Chrasta, asked the Commission to not substantially increase the fees.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15946

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a $125.00 flat rate per day fee for the use of designated park properties by artist groups.

10. FIVE YEAR OPEN SPACE PLAN
ADOPTION OF UPDATES/AMENDMENTS

Adoption of updates/amendments to the Five-Year Open Space Plan that was adopted by the Recreation and Park Commission on May 10, 1990.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that the Open Space Program requires that the Commission adopt a five year plan for the expenditures of the Open Space Fund and that it be updated annually. He highlighted the changes to the 5 year plan:

10. FIVE YEAR OPEN SPACE PLAN
ADOPTION OF UPDATES/AMENDMENTS (Continued)

°deferral of certain development projects in favor of acquisitions;
°use of one-time revenues for specific acquisition and development projects;
°revision of revenue estimates
°revision of estimated costs for acquisitions;
°creation of new category of "hazardous materials abatement" under renovation;
°elimination of roofing and resurfacing from the renovation category;
°revision of selection criteria for renovation projects;
°revision of new operating and maintenance costs to reflect an additional park; and
°expansion of project options to include all proposals received by the Open Space Committee.

Vice President Eickman asked why the plan highlighted acquiring property when there may not be sufficient funds to renovate them.

Mr. Arnold stated that it is better to acquire properties in the early years when money is available and to focus on renovation in the later years of the program.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15947

RESOLVED, That this Commission adopts the updates and amendments to the Five-Year Open Space Plan that was adopted by the Recreation and Park Commission on May 10, 1990.

11. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO FORTY NINERS
TICKET PRICE INCREASE

Approval of the request from the San Francisco Forty Niners to increase ticket prices for the 1991 season from $30.00 to $35.00.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the 49ers have requested an increase in their ticket prices. The lease gives the Commission the authority to approve any ticket price increase, although, the lease also says that the Commission "may not unreasonably withhold" approval of an increase. In the past, staff has used a comparison of other football tickets prices. The 49ers price increase would place the team at the top. The City Attorney advised that the Commission must look at the comparable entertainment. The costs of doing business for the 49ers has gone up quite substantially - salaries are at the top of the scale. The City Attorney also advised that the Commission must look at the commercial aspects of the organization and the issue of demand for the tickets. Staff has been informed that there are over 20,000 people on the waiting list for 49er tickets. In light of these facts, Ms. Burns felt it does not appear that the Commission has a basis on which to withhold approval of the ticket prices Therefore, it was staff's recommendation that the ticket price increase request be approved.

11. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO FORTY NINERS
TICKET PRICE INCREASE (Continued)

Commissioner Orr noted for the record that since 1988 the ticket prices have increased 66%.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15948

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the San Francisco Forty Niners to increase ticket prices for the 1991 season from $30.00 to $35.00.

12. CANDLESTICK PARK
PARKING PRICE INCREASE
1991 BASEBALL SEASON

Approval of proposed increase in parking rates at Candlestick Park for the 1991 baseball season.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, enumerated the current and proposed parking fees for baseball. He explained that limousines should be included in the motor home rate and that in some instances people have already purchased parking at Candlestick Park for the 1991 baseball season. Therefore, anything sold beyond the date of the 2/21/91 Commission meeting would be charged the new rate. The increase was being proposed because costs for operating the lot have increased and the Parking and Traffic Commission has requested that the Department transfer $140,000 to manage traffic coming to and from Candlestick Park.

In response to Commissioner McAteer's question, Mr. Arnold explained that the bus rate has not been raised because the Department wants to encourage use of transit and there currently not adequate parking at Candlestick.

Commissioner Guggenhime also noted that the rates are comparable to those charged in Oakland for its baseball club and that the new fees would enhance revenues for the the Department.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15949

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase in parking rates at Candlestick Park for the 1991 baseball season.

	Current	Approved (Regular Season)	Approved (Post Season)
Cars	$ 4.00	$ 5.00	$10.00
Motor Homes/Limousines	12.00	15.00	20.00
Buses	15.00	15.00	20.00

13. JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY CENTER
EVENING RECREATION PROGRAM

Conceptual approval of the Recreation and Park Department assumption of evening recreation program at Jamestown Community Center, two hours per day, Monday through Friday, which was previously administered Catholic Youth Organization.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that an afterschool program is currently being offered by the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) at the Jamestown Recreation Center. Unfortunately, the CYO is considering cessation of this afterschool program and has proposed that the Recreation and Park Department assume responsibility of operating the program. The CYO will provide 100% of the necessary funding, and the liability insurance. Since the Department does not have a facility in this neighborhood, he proposed that staff be allowed to investigate this proposal and return with a comprehensive program for future approval.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15950

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves the Recreation and Park Department assumption of evening recreation program at Jamestown Community Center, two hours per day, Monday through Friday, previously administered by the Catholic Youth Organization.

13a. SELECTED PARK SITES
CLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC

Approval to close selected park sites to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that over the last few years the Department and Commission have considered recommendations to close various parks during certain hours of the evening to reduce illegal activities. While the Park Code specifically prohibits sleeping in parks between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., it does not generally prohibit being in parks for other activities.

The Park Code gives the Commission the authority to establish rules under certain circumstances. In the past you have approved closure of parks in response to problems related to consumption of alcoholic beverages, drug use and sleeping and camping. Parks where restrictions have been approved include:

°Marina Green °Monterey Conservatory °Boeddeker
°Macaulay °Eureka Valley °6th & Folsom
°Arboretum °Japanese Tea Garden °24th Street Mini Park
°Great Highway across from Golden Gate Park (no parking)

Recently staff was asked by neighbors and the Recreation Program Committee has recommended closure of Oceanview Playground from the hours of 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Several other parks or areas of parks need to be addressed.

13a. SELECTED PARK SITES
CLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC (Continued)

Complaints about activities in certain parks were the subject of recent community meetings in Bernal Heights, Visitacion Valley, and the Mission District. Not only should the Commission address the problem from the perspective of controlling illegal activity, but she believes the Department has responsibility to respond to legitimate complaints from neighbors. In addition, closure of some parks may reduce maintenance costs and will reduce the incidents of discarded needles, broken glass and human waste. Our employees and park users have complained about these problems. The Department of Public Health informs us that exposure to discarded needles and human waste can be traced to communicable diseases including Hepatitis B which is often fatal and AIDS which is always fatal. The policy will give the Police Department a list of priority areas to direct limited staff resources.

Ms. Burns was recommending, therefore, that the Commission adopt a policy to prohibit people from remaining in the following parks during the hours of 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.:

°Bernal Playground
°Coleridge Mini Park
°Noe Beaver Mini Park
°Visitacion Valley Playground
°Holly Park
°Mission Playground
°Howard Langton Mini Park
°Folsom Playground
°Civic Center Plaza (except to go to or from the parking garage)
°Mary B. Connolly Playground (Children's Playground), Golden Gate Park

She suggested the the Commission consider an annual evaluation of the on-going need for this restriction. It is possible that implementation of this restriction in selected parks will move problems to other areas. On-going evaluation of the effectiveness of this policy will determine whether the policy should remain in effect or if it needs to be expanded.

She further recommended that the Commission approve a "not to remain" policy for the above enumerated parks, including those where such prohibition is already in place.

Deputy Chief Tom Murphy, representing the San Francisco Police Department, supported this proposal. He explained that the Police Department receives complaints of assault, drinking, drug trafficking, and people using parks at night as a safe haven to commit crimes. He noted that the parks which already have restrictions, such as Boeddeker Park, were, at one time, very troublesome for the Police Department. Since the restrictions were imposed, problems have decreased.

Ray Masterson, representing the Coalition on Homelessness, said that he could understand the concern about closure of parks located in residential areas but that Civic Center Plaza is not located in a residential area and businesses are not open past 10:00 p.m. He felt that the proposed Civic Center restriction which allows people to enter the park in order to go to or from the parking garage was classism and that the proposal targeted the law toward a certain class of people.

13a. SELECTED PARK SITES
CLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC (Continued)

Harry Swets, a United States Marine veteran, with the Veterans Vigil read a passage from the Bill of Rights which states that Congress will make no law...prohibiting the free exercise of freedom of speech...or the right of the people to peacefully assemble and petition the government for the redress of grievances." He stated that the only place for individuals to express this forum is Civic Center Plaza. He stated that he has seen no drug activity at Civic Center and questioned how Civic Center was placed in the proposed group of parks to be closed to the public at night.

Danny Anderson, stated that the proposal was totally wrong and that the people who are at Civic Center Plaza are citizens who happen to be out of work and have no place to go. He stated that, in effect, this proposal declares war on our own people and will force them to go into the very neighborhoods the Commission is trying to protect.

Michael Oliver, representing Swords to Plowshares, a veterans rights organization, spoke about the homeless veterans peace vigil which is speaking against homelessness and for peace. He stated that homelessness is a reality and the vigil in front of City Hall expresses a protest to the Mayor. He felt that the Commission should be ashamed to consider closing Civic Center Plaza. He believed that if he disagreed with the government he had a constitutional right to stand peacefully and speak against his government.

Keith McHenry, opposed the nighttime closure of Civic Center Plaza. He stated that this proposal, coupled with the war, and the recent action allowing the Police to arrest people who are seen on sidewalks and in alleys is a complete lack of interest in the homeless. He stated that people are now able to come to Civic Center Plaza and enjoy the park, find sanctuary, and, for those people who are disturbed by the events in the Middle East, to find solace and support from the vigil. He noted that a quarter of all the homeless people are veterans.

Gail S. Heymont, stated that she has lived in shelters and has been homeless. She felt that many laws seem to attack the victim and not the problem and that public land is for the public. She did not think there should be a problem for anyone to travel at any time through any park. She felt the problem should be addressed and that restrooms should be made available to the public.

Dan Markey, stated that he works with Food Not Bombs at Civic Center Plaza and urged that the Commission not adopt this proposal. He stated that this closure would not help the homeless and noted that the homeless situation is at an emergency state. Many people do not have a place to live or go. He quoted the expression, "...the bird has its nest and the wolf has its lair but where shall the child of man lay down his head."

13a. SELECTED PARK SITES
CLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC (Continued)

Eli Rosenblatt, opposed the proposal and stated that this policy clearly addresses the homeless specifically at Civic Center. He stated that this policy is a fearful reaction to the community's resistance to main stream culture. He felt that any policy that does not foster and perpetuate coherent programs for education, health care, housing, jobs, etc, but rather pushes important problems out of sight is wrong. He urged the Commission to re-evaluate this policy and to not approve it. He felt closure of Civic Center was a violation of civil and human rights.

Joseph Yeamans, stated the present Park Code allows people to encamp in parks as it states "... may not without permission...". He felt the present homelessness situation was an emergency and that in 1906 100,000 people were allowed to camp in the park because of the earthquake. He stated the proposal is an exclusionary policy against the homeless and is seen as class warfare.

Perry Matlock, a native San Franciscan, said this policy would declare war on poor people who have no homes. He stated that it was discriminatory against those who are active at nighttime and want to walk their pets or sit down on a park bench at night. He felt that Civic Center Plaza should not be included in the group of neighborhood parks and that people should be allowed to camp in Civic Center if they have no homes. He urged the Commission to not approve the policy.

Josh Brandon, a member on the Coalition on Homelessness, representing over 50 service and shelter providers in the City for the homeless population, opposed the proposal. He explained that he used to live near Boeddeker Park and there is still broken glass and human waste around the park; closing the park did not eliminate the problem. He felt that this proposal was an attempt to pose further restrictions on those who have less than others and to force homeless people out of any public area in the City. He stated that homeless shelters are at capacity.

Michael Cronin, operates the San Francisco Peace and Information Center which has been in existence 24 hours a day since the beginning of the war. He has maintained the vigil staying up 72-80 hours because it is against the law to sleep in Civic Center Plaza. He felt the Commission did not understand the meaning of maintaining a vigil and described the dedication one needed to fulfill a vigil. He stated vigils are guaranteed by the First Amendment of the Constitution.

Earl Lui, with Homebase, stated that a survey was done recently which shows that homelessness has increased 16% in the last year. He stated that homelessness will not go away by passing laws restricting where homeless people can stay. He stated that homelessness is a problem that everybody needs to address and that if the Commission was concerned about sanitation it could provide public toilets to be part of the solution.

13a. SELECTED PARK SITES
CLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC (Continued)

John Crew, representing the American Civil Liberties Union, asked the Commission to remove Civic Center Plaza from the list of potential park to be closed. He was very concerned about the free speech implications at Civic Center Plaza, 24 hour vigils, in particular. He stated that the staff memorandum talks in general terms of problems at neighborhood parks but Civic Center Plaza is not a neighborhood playground or park. Civic Center is located at the seat of government, is perhaps the most popular place for free speech activity, and is a traditional public forum that has enormous symbolic value for people who want to express particular points of view. He felt restrictions must be sensibly considered for Civic Center Plaza. He further stated that the First Amendment not only protects the message but the choice of how one expresses it. He stated that vigils are a traditional way in which people express their views during times of crisis. He noted that in Washington, D.C., there is 24-hour vigil across the street from the White House which has not been closed down. He felt that the intent of the policy was to ban this type of expression.

LoLa La Fey, helps in the San Francisco Peace and Information Center, and was present to state that homelessness exists and that the Food Not Bombs and Veterans for Peace groups are present at Civic Center Plaza to educate people and to feed the homeless. She opposed the policy and asked where the people will go if the policy is adopted.

Alison Bernstein, representing the Coalition on Homelessness, spoke in opposition to this matter and did not understand why this proposal was so pressing. She did not understand why the Commission was trying to impose a reasonable time, place, and manner restriction when there is no indication that there has been complaints from the neighborhood. She stated that people have the right to speak in an expressive manner and that Civic Center Plaza is the closest thing the City has to a town square. She explained that the homeless do not have a place to go.

Amanda Feinstein, a staff person to the United Way Committee on Homelessness, urged the Commission to table this matter, to look at each of the neighborhood parks independently, and to remove Civic Center from the list of proposed parks to be closed She noted that none of the testimony received today discussed any of the neighborhood parks. She stated that homelessness is growing and that this was an attempt to get the problem out of sight. She stated the City needed to find solutions.

Robert A. Wilson, a taxpayer, a citizen of San Francisco, a former homeless person, a representative of the Coalition on Homelessness and a representative of Food Not Bombs, spoke in opposition to the proposal. He stated that recently Section 647i of the Penal Code was reenacted and the measure to close parks is now proposed, both of which target the homeless. He lived in Civic Center at one time and stated that there are people who are living on the street out of necessity. He noted that the those who are not in a City shelter live in fear that they will be arrested. He urged the Commission to not approve this matter.

13a. SELECTED PARK SITES
CLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC (Continued)

Jean K. Harris, representing the Harvey Milk Lesbian/Gay Democratic Club, spoke against this item. She felt some of the issues under consideration also fall under the jurisdiction of the Health Commission, Social Services Commission and/or the Board of Supervisors. She stated that the City cannot pretend that homelessness does not exist. She stated that it is the City's duty to find a way to work together and resolve this crisis. She explained that it is not right to build fences around the public parks. She urged that this matter be tabled.

Don Hesse, coordinator with the Human Rights Commission, explained that the Human Rights Commission has not taken a position on this matter but has a general concern to protect the rights of minorities, including the homeless and those who have political views. He stated that public property is being closed without regard to the general population. He asked if the neighbors had been contacted regarding this matter. He felt there needed to be more discussion on this issue and that Civic Center should be separately reviewed. He felt the Commission represented all of the citizenry and that it should consider this factor in rendering its decision.

Tom Quinn, with the United Bay Area Veterans Against War in the Middle East, spoke in support of the homeless veterans and their vigil. He urged the Commission to support the vigil and to endorse the rights provided under the Constitution. He explained that he served in Vietnam, was a drug addict who found no help, until he met a group of-ex addicts who were practicing self-help. He urged the Commission to support the vigil activity.

Paul Boden, representing Coalition on Homelessness, explained that he is a South of Market resident who lives two blocks from Howard Langton Park and near Civic Center and never received notice of this meeting. He opposed this policy and asked when community input was solicited regarding the proposed policy. He stated that the Commission needed to understand the ramifications of this policy which would affect people's lives.

Marykate Connor, representing the Coalition of Homeless Service Providers, was shocked to hear about this proposal and opposed it. She stated that the citizenry needed to acknowledge that there is not enough space or services for the homeless. She explained that the City is in an emergency state and that if parks are closed there will not be a place for those people to go. The proposal would criminalize people who are poor and in need of services.

Russell Holman, a Vietnam veteran, read a statement from a Andrew Hayes, which stated, in part, "...I am a social worker who works daily with homeless people in Civic Center Plaza...have not noticed any disgarded needles in the Civic Center Plaza...The Plaza is an important central location for homeless people to connect to various social services and to get referrals to jobs and other community resources...It would further burden homeless people to close the Plaza...and create more potential violations of their basic human rights..."

13a. SELECTED PARK SITES
CLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC (Continued)

Commissioner Guggenhime asked the Deputy City Attorney, Mara Rosales, why this matter was not being considered by the Board of Supervisors to address the justification/constitutional arguments for closing the parks.

Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales, explained that under the Charter the Recreation and Park Commission has the exclusive jurisdiction to manage and direct its parks, playgrounds and squares. Civic Center Plaza is one of those properties. Park Code Section 3.03 empowers this Commission and/or the General Manager the authority to close portions of parks and to exclude members of the public when it finds that there is public interest to do so. This matter does not require approval from the Board of Supervisors.

With respect to the constitutional argument presented, the Commission is not being asked to ban expressive activities in Civic Center or any other park. Traditionally, all parks are considered public forum areas. Historically, the courts view parks as places for public assembly, whether it be for expression of views under the Constitution or for people to pursue recreational activities. However, that right under the Constitution is not absolute and is subject to reasonable time, place and manner restrictions. The proposed regulation states that certain parks because of specific police and health related problems, are going to be closed between limited hours to any member of the public. It is not discriminating against any particular class of citizens because rich or poor are treated the same. It is within the Commission's authority, under the Charter, as well as under the Federal and State Constitutions to regulate public use of park property.

Commissioner McAteer explained that she reviewed this policy for the first time and felt that there needed to be more public input, similar to when the Commission considered closure of Ocean View Playground.

Commissioner Orr stated that he could not vote for this proposal because of the First Amendment forum. He felt that Civic Center Plaza is not the place to prohibit a 24 hour vigil. He also noted that the lack of neighborhood input is of concern.

Vice President Eickman made a motion to schedule a special hearing regarding this matter. His motion was not seconded.

President O'Connor felt that the matter should not be deferred and further stated that perhaps Civic Center Plaza should be separated from the list of the neighborhood parks proposed to be closed.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the Commission voted to separate Civic Center Plaza from the list of neighborhood parks proposed for closure from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Guggenhime, McAteer, O'Connor, Orr, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioner Eickman

13a. SELECTED PARK SITES
CLOSURE TO THE PUBLIC (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the Commission voted to close the neighborhood parks as proposed by the General Manager (with the exception of Civic Center Plaza).

Commissioner Ruiz explained that the Recreation Program Committee considered closure of a specific neighborhood park, Ocean View Playground, based on extensive community outreach. He felt the same type of process should be considered for all the parks under consideration for closure.

MOTION FAILED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Guggenhime
Noes: Commissioner Eickman, McAteer, O'Connor, Orr, Ruiz

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the Commission voted unanimously that the closure of selected neighborhood parks shall be referred to the appropriate committee of the Recreation and Park Commission for further review.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the Commission voted to not close Civic Center Plaza from the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Eickman, McAteer, O'Connor, Orr, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioner Guggenhime

13b. UNITED NATIONS PLAZA
DENIAL OF PERMIT

Consideration of the permit request to hold a continuous vigil and to erect tents at United Nations Plaza as a demonstration of peace relating to the Persian Gulf War.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained the Coalition on Homelessness has requested a permit for use of United Nations Plaza to establish an information table, display free standing flags, erect three tents, two of which would be used for sleeping and one for meeting purposes. The applicants informs staff that there will be fewer than 49 people at the vigil at all times. (Park Code Section 7.08 does not require a permit for demonstrations involving fewer than 50 participants.) They request to hold their operation next to the AIDS vigil. The matter is before the Commission because the permit application is for a multiple day event. United Nations Plaza is not a City park, but rather a city street and the Board of Supervisors has asked this Commission, by ordinance, to grant permits for First Amendment rights and recreational activities for this area. Permits for other types of activities are under the jurisdiction of the Board of Supervisors. Administrative Code Section 2.74 empowers the Commission to act upon permits pursuant to procedures and standards established for the issuance of permits for the use of property under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. The City Attorney advises that this language incorporates by reference and makes applicable all of the provisions of the Park Code and Commission permit policies.

13b. UNITED NATIONS PLAZA
DENIAL OF PERMIT (Continued)

For your information, in a related matter about February 11, 1991, the Board of Supervisors passed Resolution No. 126-91 urging the Mayor to urge the Commission to issue a permit for an artists-writers peace vigil in the northwest grassy square of United Nations Plaza for a period of three weeks during the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. The permit application has not yet been filed with the Department.

Since the application states that fewer than 49 persons will participate in the vigil at all times, the Coalition need not obtain a permit for their proposed vigil at United Nations Plaza.

As previously stated, the police and health problems generated by public use of Civic Center Plaza during the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. caused Ms. Burns to recommend that the Commission close that facility to public use during those hours. The Commission did not agree with that recommendation. She proposed that the Commission restrict activities between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

Consistent with past practice she further recommended that the Commission grant the request to set up an informational table and the display of the free standing flags for a maximum of three consecutive days during the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., and to deny the use of park property for lodging or camping purposes. The erection of tents on park property would create the impression that individuals may engage in camping or lodging. Such an impression would undermine the Commission's policy that camping and lodging are inappropriate activities in these public areas.

Ray Matterson, representing the Homeless Veterans, offered letters of support for his request. He stated there are 96 on-going vigils and demonstrations which began since the war started on 1/15/91 and that his vigil is free of drugs and alcohol. He stated that there are now homeless veterans who are able to commit to something wholeheartedly. He urged the Commission to not deny the request because it was not a matter of whether one disagrees or agrees with the issue. Rather, under the United States Constitution everyone has the right to make their own statement.

Richard Edmondson, commended the Commission for its vote on the previous item and read a quote from a plaque outside the Commission room, "....for it is our giving to others, in our failing to give, in our caring or failing to care, that we inch mankind forward or let if fall back..." He stated that the Persian Gulf War is a reality and denying the veterans a permit is not going to inch mankind forward at all.

Harry Swets, from the Veterans Vigil stated that the Commission's prior vote declares that they are going to continue to maintain their vigil.

Danny Anderson, stated that when he entered the Army he took an oath that he would protect and defend the Constitution. He fulfilled his oath and received commendations which he considered trash since he was treated as such when he returned home. He did not think it was necessary for him to ask for permission; he felt it was his right. He stated that he did not care if the Commission did not think it was right to hold a vigil because he planned to continue it although he preferred to have the Commission's support. He planned to continue the vigil until the end of the war and until the troops return home.

13b. UNITED NATIONS PLAZA
DENIAL OF PERMIT (Continued)

Josh Brandon, explained there are presently 4 people conducting the 24 hour vigil and they have sometimes gone for 48 hours without sleep to be sure that the vigil continues. He explained that tents are used to have a place to sleep. The vigil wants to provide a forum for homeless people who are veterans and who have been treated unfairly by this country. This is their message about this war: people fighting now will get a better reception when they return and to serve as a reminder of Vietnam. He urged the Commission to recognize the freedom of political expression.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, suggested that perhaps the Commission would like to to receive some direction from the Board of Supervisors on this matter and that the Board may wish to take back the jurisdiction of issuing permits for this area.

Deputy City Attorney, Mara Rosales, explained that the Board of Supervisors approved the Farmers' Market use of United Nations Plaza and the AIDS vigil.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15952

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a permit for an informational table and display of free-standing flags for a maximum of three consecutive days during the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

14. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
ACCESSIBILITY SURVEY

Presentation of the Recreation and Park Department's Accessibility Survey.

Assistant to the General Manager, Timothy Lillyquist, explained that a handicap accessibility survey was conducted on the 219 Department's facilities. This is a requirement of the Federal Rehabilitation Act and the City has been attempting to comply with it. The Department received several complaints from the Department of Interior regarding handicap accessibility compliance and therefore performed this survey.

Susan, Goltsman, representing Moore-Iacofano-Goltsman, commended the Commission and staff for conducting this survey. They surveyed everything from pathways, picnic tables, tennis courts, restrooms, etc.

Tim Gilbert, representing Moore-Iacofano-Goltsman, explained that the survey was conducted by completing a very detailed checklist, capturing data on every element of the Department properties. They sent survey crews into the facilities, using meters to identify slopes on ramps, doorpull indicators to measure the amount of pressure needed to open doors, and adapted equipment to get accurate verifiable information. There is a narrative description of the major elements of each of the facilities and then a more detailed breakdown of the barriers, along with the proposed solution. A basic list of priorities was compiled for each facility and a reference map was done to identify the access condition at each facility.

14. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
ACCESSIBILITY SURVEY (Continued)

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that staff will be making funding recommendations from the Open Space Program budget to be set aside each year for implementation of this program.

Ted Tuk, discussed a problem that was difficult for him to talk about, the need to use the restroom often. He explained that he was disabled because of this problem and cannot use certain parks because there are not restrooms. He wanted the Commission to be aware that there are things that can be done to help the disabled right now and that the disabled are not always in wheelchairs.

The Commission thanked the firm of Moore-Iacofano-Goltsman and the staff for the presentation of the Department's Accessibility Survey.

15. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE 66-90

Approval of proposed amendments to Ordinance 66-90 granting the City Attorney the authority to settle claims under $5,000 without Department approval.

Assistant General Manager, for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this matter was considered by the Board of Supervisors. The Finance and Yacht Harbor Committe's recommendation was given to the Board who voted that unlitigated claims up to $5,000 can be settled by the City Attorney without Department approval. The City Attorney must report actions to the Department. Litigated claims require approval of the Department Head before they can be settled. The Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee's recommendation which stated that if, in the future, departments were required to budget individually for claims, the ordinance should be re-evaluated, was not considered by the Board.

16. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15953

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of the litigated claim of Ricky Odoms in the amount of $25,000.

17. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

17. PUBLIC COMMENT (Continued)

Beatrice Laws, who lives on Stanyan Street, explained that she drove around the Kezar project site and was very concerned. She discussed the two huge pillars for lighting and the superstructure that says Kezar Stadium on it. She said there is a blockhouse on Kezar Drive which blocks any views into the parks and the foliage was removed. She was worried about this project and felt that what was being built was not what she has voted for. She felt that a meeting should be held immediately with the community regarding this matter and to discuss placement of the perimeter fence.

John Bardis, representing Inner Sunset Action Committee and the Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhood, spoke about the Kezar Project and stated that Kezar Drive was to be full of shrubbery and foliage. He felt the project had been changed from what was originally authorized and asked when the Commission voted to deviate from the Master Plan. He was quite concerned about this matter and asked why the project had changed and under whose authorization was it changed.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the replica of the archway of the Kezar structure was a requirement of the Arts Commission and that the two blockhouses are restrooms and ticket booths. She suggested that Mr. Bardis and Mrs. Laws contact, Park Planner, Deborah Learner to discuss their concerns.

18. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President O'Connor did not submit a report to the Commission.

19. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15954

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $11,373.82, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From Mrs. Margaret K. Cooper, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $5,099.82, for pedestal maps for the Recreation and Park Department.
b. From Reef Funds, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $2,000.00, for the Department's Noah's Ark Fundraiser.
c. From The Gallo Foundation, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $2,000.00, for the Department's Noah's Ark Fundraiser.
d. From George H. Hume, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $500.00, for the Department's Noah's Ark Fundraiser.
e. From San Francisco Croquet Club, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $774.00, for the park maintenance.
f. From Firemen's Fund Insurance Company Foundation, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $1000.00, for the Tenderloin Recreation Center Christmas Party.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate letters of thanks will be sent to the donors.

20. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Committee reports were submitted to the Commission:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of January 3, 1991
Recreation Program Committee Meeting of January 23, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of February 4, 1991
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of February 7, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of February 7, 1991
Candlestick Park and Golf Committee Meeting of February 7, 1991

21. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Peggy McCarthy.

There being no further business, the 656th Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

San Francisco, California
March 21, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

657TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Fifty-Seventh Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, March 21, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz
Absent:
Commissioner Frances McAteer

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 21, 1991, were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns submitted the following report:

"PALACE OF FINE ARTS LIGHTING DESIGN AWARDS

I am pleased to inform you that Ross Dealessi, of Luminae Souter, the lighting firm which designed the "Light the Palace of Fine Arts" project, received two prestigious awards recently. Mr. Dealessi was honored by the International Association of Lighting Designers and also received the Edison Award from General Electric. In the lighting design profession, these two awards are considered to be the highest honors one can receive. It is hoped that with such award-winning recognition, sufficient monies will be raised to complete the payment of this project. Mr. Dealessi is here with us today. Congratulations.

BETH KERLEY RECOGNIZED BY SAN FRANCISCO RECYCLING PROGRAM

On March 28, at 4:00 p.m. in the Chief Administrator's Office, Beth Kerley, a computer system technician with our department, will receive an award for her valuable contribution to the City's Office Paper Program. Thanks in part to her efforts, the City recycled almost 375 tons of paper in 1990, generating over $23,000 for the General Fund. I believe congratulations are in order for Beth.

BUDGET UPDATE - 1991-92

The Department has begun discussions regarding potential budget reductions anticipated for next fiscal year. The Controller has issued a new report that now projects a $6-10 million deficit for the current fiscal year (in a normal year there would be a $25 to 26 million surplus that would be used to balance next year's budget). In addition to the hiring freeze, the Controller has instituted an immediate freeze on all non-salary accounts that have not yet been encumbered and on all capital projects not yet certified. A proposed spending reduction plan will be submitted to the Finance Committee of the Board in the next two weeks.

On Wednesday I met with approximately 30 of the Department's managers to begin addressing cost reductions. With the budget deficit projected to be between $120 to $160 million, departments are being asked to come up with reductions in the 5 to 10% range. That translates into a $1 1/2 - 3 million reduction for the Recreation and Park Department.

A meeting will be held with Sam Yockey, the Mayor's Budget Director, in the next two weeks to get a better sense of the process and timing on the budget submissions. I would appreciate any thoughts that the Commission might have on potential revenues or areas for reduction.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

CAPITAL PROJECTS

North Lake - A new clay seal has been installed at North Lake in Golden Gate Park which will keep the north end of the lake from seeping into the ground. The product is called "Bentomat" and it appears to be a successful option that may be used to solve other seepage problems at the Chain of Lakes in the Park as funds become available. The total project cost was $315,000.00 and funded by Open Space monies.

Japan Peace Plaza Redesign - The Japan Peace Plaza was purchased by the Recreation and Park Department in 1989. At that time, it was made clear that fiscal restraints would severely limit the Department's ability to fund a major renovation of the facility. The Japantown community and its merchants association have established an organization, "Friends of Japantown Peace Plaza," to raise funds for the rehabilitation of the Plaza. A landscape architect has been retained to create the design which will be presented to the Commission for approval. The "Friends" have proposed that those organizations or individuals donating $5,000 or more be listed on a plaque to be placed in the Plaza. Staff has approved this request with the stipulation that the plaque size conforms with policy, and its design and location will be submitted to the Commission for approval.

Louis Sutter Playground - The indoor repair and remodeling of the "Roundhouse" (recreation building) at Louis Sutter Playground has been completed. The renovation of the surrounding areas is still in the process of being completed. The cost of the entire project will come in at approximately $225,000.00. If you would like to tour the facility, please contact Tom Chiosso at 666-7053.

Telegraph Hill Cliff Earthquake Damage - This project was completed in mid-February, cost in the amount of $250,000.00 being paid by Federal Emergency Management Assistance (FEMA) funds.

CANDLESTICK PARK IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE VI

As opening day of baseball approaches, this year's stadium improvement project is nearing completion. While much of the work is on the infrastructure and not readily apparent, such as the upper deck waterproofing and new maintenance facilities, some improvements will be noticeable. Fifty-five of the luxury suites have been totally renovated and the suites' corridor has new flooring and paint. In addition, modifications have been made to make the stadium more accessible to persons with disabilities, including a new wheelchair platform at Section 21, and several upgraded restroom facilities. All of the vomitory doors on the lower level leading from the concourses into the stadium have been replaced. Lastly, new advertising and stadium logo signs have been installed. The new conference room on the mezzanine level will not be completed until May.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

POTRERO HILL RECREATION CENTER

We have been informed by the United States Department of the Interior, National Park Service, that the City of San Francisco's Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Program preapplication for Potrero Hill Recreation Center rehabilitation has been approved. This project was one of 104 project grant offers made nationally this year. Special thanks goes to Elaine Molinari, Director of Neighborhood Services, who spearheaded and coordinated program development efforts which led to this highly competitive grant offer. The total project cost is $357,000.00 (Federal share being $250,000.00 and local matching funds of $107,000.00 from the Open Space Program).

ZOO MOTHER'S BUILDING PRESS CONFERENCE

On Monday, March 18th, a press conference was held at the Mother's Zoo Building in conjunction with Women's History Month. At that time Mayor Agnos and Assemblywoman Jackie Speier honored those women artists who produced the murals and mosaics at this historical building. Speier is seeking state park bond or historical structure funds to renovate the building and return it to its original use as a place where women can take their children to relax as well as an interpretive center for children.

COMMITTEE TO SAVE GOLDEN GATE PARK BAND

On Tuesday, April 9, 1991, at 11 a.m., a press conference will be held on the steps of City Hall with Mayor Art Agnos to announce the launching of the "Save the Golden Gate Park Band Campaign." This effort is spearheaded by a group of businessmen organized by Mr. Art Blum of Art Blum Public Relations. Serving as co-chairs of the campaign are Mr. Carl Hanson, Senior Vice President and General Manager of Southwest Marine, and Mr. Fritz Arko, President and General Manager of Pier 39. Honorary Chairpersons include Mayor Art Agnos and former Mayors Dianne Feinstein, Joseph Alioto and George Christopher. The group has established a non-profit corporation for the band and hopes to raise $50,000 annually in support of the weekly concerts.

RANDALL MUSEUM - NEW HOURS

The recent rains have produced not only needed relief to our parched parks, but also relief to our strained Recreation budget. Staff is now in the process of restoring some hours to certain programs in light of these developments. One such restoration is the Animal Room at the Randall Museum. Additional staff has been added in an attempt to provide as many public hours as possible at this unique facility. The Animal Room hours will expand from Wednesday through Saturday, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m., to Tuesday through Saturday, 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., and 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Also, the number of school group tours is being doubled.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

STRYBING ARBORETUM SOCIETY 3RD ANNUAL URBAN LANDSCAPE AWARDS DINNER

The Strybing Arboretum Society held its 3rd Annual Urban Landscape Awards Dinner at the Fairmont Hotel on March 7th. This year's awards went to the Fairmont's Roof Garden and Embarcadero Center's Open Space and Container Gardens. A special award was given to Melvin and Laurence (Bill) Lane (former owners of Sunset Magazine) for their contribution to western horticulture. The Awards Dinner also raises money for the various programs at Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens. This year the dinner raised approximately $35,000.00.

UNION SQUARE CLEAN-UP PROGRAM

The Union Square Association has organized a volunteer clean-up of the Union Square area. Some 200-250 volunteers, employees of the Association members, will gather on a quarterly basis to work at cleaning the Square and surrounding city blocks. Our department is offering its assistance in this effort by offering tools, trash bags, and trucks for hauling debris. The Association intends to hold a press event at the beginning of each work day and a reception at the end. The first volunteer day will be Saturday, April 6. Their support is very welcomed and should provide positive press coverage.

INDIA BASIN CLEAN-UP

The cleanup of what will become a new waterfront park located at India Basin began last Saturday. A crew of heavy equipment operators and laborers from the maintenance yard worked to remove trash and debris which have been accumulating at the site over the last several years. Items removed include approximately thirty vehicles, trailers, bicycles, motorcycles, mattresses, two shacks and a considerable amount of scrap metal. The cleanup will continue over the next several weeks. Acquisition of this new park site was funded under the Open Space Program.

FRIENDS OF RECREATION AND PARKS LANDSCAPE GARDEN SHOW

The Sixth Annual San Francisco Landscape Garden Show sponsored by Friends of Recreation and Parks will be held April 17-21 in two piers at Fort Mason. This year's theme is "Stars for the Parks" and the "dream gardens" of filmmaker, George Lucas, native San Franciscan Johnny Mathis, Robin Williams, Herb Caen and other Bay Area stars will provide whimsy and fun as well as practical ideas for home gardening. The star celebrities have welcomed this opportunity to demonstrate their support for our parks. The show will also encompass a magical Children's Discovery Center, a lecture forum and numerous displays of fine gardening, horticulture and garden technology. In five years the show has attracted over 100,000 visitors and has raised over $500,000.00 for special recreation and park projects.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

CHERRY BLOSSOM PREVIEW

The Cherry Blossom Festival Preview will be held Tuesday, March 26, at noon, in the Japanese Tea Garden. Traditional Japanese dances will be performed by colorful costumed dancers. The Preview precedes the popular Cherry Blossom Festival held in Japantown. Commissioners and the public are cordially invited to attend this free event.

GENERAL MANAGER - VACATION

I will be on vacation from Friday, March 22 through Friday, March 29. During that time Joel Robinson, Superintendent of Recreation, will be Acting General Manager.

MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT

The following are claims under $5,000 settled by the City Attorney's Office for the month of February, 1991:

Claimant	Amount
J.C. Plumbing	$ 1,467.96
Lovett	100.00
Baccin	3,300.00
Franceschetti	497.85
Kohmann	209.81
Rotman	617.55

RETIREMENTS

Don Franklin 3291 Principal Recreation Supervisor 34 years

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, March 27, 1991	Recreation Program and Mather Committee, 3:30 p.m., Joseph Lee Recreation Center
Monday, April 1, 1991	Golden Gate Park Committee, 3:00 p.m. (tour), 4:00 p.m. (meeting), Mc Laren Lodge
Tuesday, April 2, 1991	Kezar Operating Plan Public Hearing 7:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, April 3, 1991	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:30 p.m. (tour), 5:00 p.m. (meeting) San Francisco Zoo
Thursday, April 4, 1991	Parks and Planning Committee 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, April 4, 1991	Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15955

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period February 7, 1991 through March 6, 1991.

b. JUSTIN HERMAN PLAZA — RES. NO. 15956
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the Embarcadero Center to have a multiple day event at Justin Herman Plaza from Tuesday, June 4, 1991 through Thursday, June 6, 1991 at specified times for their annual "Jail & Bail" event.

c. UNION SQUARE — RES. NO. 15957
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for Chabad of San Francisco to place a Menorah at Union Square from Monday, November 25, 1991 through Friday, December 11, 1991 for the Annual Chanukah Celebration.

d. MISSION DOLORES PARK / TWO-DAY EVENT — RES. NO. 15958
SAN FRANCISCO MIME TROUPE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to reserve Mission Dolores Park at specified times for a two-day event on Saturday, July 6, 1991 and Sunday, July 7, 1991.

e. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15959
KEZAR PARKING LOT
LEASE AMENDMENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the amendment to the City Parking Company Lease for Kezar parking lot.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

f. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15960
RUN TO THE FAR SIDE VI
ROAD CLOSURE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to road closures from RhodyCo Productions on behalf of the California Academy of Sciences to stage the sixth annual "Run to the Far Side VI" on Sunday, December 1, 1991.

g. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15961
SKATEFEST
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT/ONE DAY ROAD CLOSURE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for the Golden Gate Park Skate Patrol/Explorer Post #582 to hold a two-day "Skatefest" (the California Outdoor Rollerskating Championships) on Sunday, September 1, and Monday, September 2, 1991 and for a road closure at the intersection where Stow Lake Drive intersects King Drive on Sunday, September 1, 1991.

h. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15962
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT
MUSIC CONCOURSE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a multiple day event at the Music Concourse, Bandshell for a major exhibition of Tibetan Art sponsored by the Asian Art Museum of San Francisco August 15-17, 1991.

i. GOLDEN GATE PARK - SHARON MEADOW — RES. NO. 15963
TWO-DAY EVENT (JOHN McLAREN FESTIVAL)

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a two-day event at Sharon Meadow on Saturday, June 29, and Sunday, June 30, 1991 for a festival honoring John McLaren.

j. RECREATION DIVISION — RES. NO. 15964
WEST SUNSET BASEBALL TEAM
MEMORIAL DAY TOURNAMENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission grants approval to the West Sunset baseball team to travel to Anaheim, California for annual Memorial Day Youth Baseball Tournament.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

k. GLEN CANYON PARK — RES. NO. 15965
STATE HISTORICAL LANDMARK

RESOLVED, That this Commission grants approval to designate Glen Canyon Park as a State Historical Landmark.

l. HYDE STREET PARK — RES. NO. 15966
REVOCABLE PERMIT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for a revocable permit to place an exhaust fan for an emergency generator at the property located at 1080 Chestnut Street.

m GREAT HIGHWAY — RES. NO. 15967
ROAD CLOSURE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for a road closure of portions of the Great Highway near Golden Gate Park for the Alcatraz Challenge Triathlon on Monday, September 2, 1991 at specified times.

n. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15968
TRAFFIC ENGINEERING TEST STUDY
FELL STREET

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the 1-3 month lane merge test with 4 foot stanchions on Fell Street leading into Golden Gate Park by Traffic Engineering.

o. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 15969
MODEL YACHT CLUB - SPRECKELS LAKE
SIX MONTH REVIEW OF RULES

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the permanent rules governing the use of model boats on Spreckels Lake.

p. CANDLESTICK PARK — RES. NO. 15970
USAGE AGREEMENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an agreement with Voice of Pentecost Church for the use of Candlestick Park on Thursday, May 2, 1991.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

q. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT — RES. NO. 15971
SECURITY DEPOSIT POLICY

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following Security Deposit Policy for Recreation and Park Department leases, concession agreements and rental agreements:

SECURITY DEPOSIT POLICY: All tenants, lessees and concessionnaires who wish to conduct business on Park properties must furnish to the Department a security deposit in accordance with the requirements of their lease, concession agreement or permit.

Form of Deposit: Cash/Certified Checks/Cashier's Checks/Money Orders
All first time tenants and tenants with less than five years as lessees of the Department; one-time event user; last minute or urgent user; short-term permit holder; and tenants with more than five years as a lessee of the Department but whose prior performance records are unsatisfactory in the opinion of staff and/or the City Attorney.

Form of Deposit: Automatically renewable Certificate of Deposit
All first time tenants and tenants with less than five years as lessees of the Department whose leases or concession agreements are at least one year in duration; and tenants with more than five years as a lessee of the Department but whose prior performance records are unsatisfactory in the opinion of staff and/or the City Attorney, whose leases or concession agreements are at least one year in duration.

Form of Deposit: Surety or Performance Bond
Any previous or existing tenants with more than five years as a lessee of the Department and whose prior performance records are satisfactory in the opinion of staff and/or the City Attorney, whose leases or concession agreements are at least one year in duration.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained that in accordance with the Zoo's recently adopted Animal, Loan, and Acquisition Policy, two animals that have little or no value will be donated to accredited institutions. The City Attorney's Office has reviewed and approved this donation.

In response to President O'Connor's question, Mr. Anderson explained that although snow leopards are endangered, this particular animal has gone through a species survival plan and breeding program, and is no longer considered significant. He further explained that the Zoo has other snow leopards on loan to various Zoos.

In response to Commissioner Orr's question, Mr. Anderson explained that the serval (cat) is a single animal which the Zoo is trying to remove from its collection in preparation to rebuild one of the Zoo's exhibits.

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15972

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

DONATED TO: Mickey Grove Zoo
11793 North Mickey Grove Road
Lodi, CA 95240
USDA #93-C-006

°One (1) female serval

DONATED TO: Saint Paul's Como Zoo
Midway Parkway and Caufman Drive
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55103
USDA #41-C-54

° One (1) male snow leopard

6. CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT
SAN FRANCISCO FAIR - 1991

Approval of request from the San Francisco Fair to reserve Civic Center Plaza for San Francisco Fair - 1991 at specified times on Tuesday, August 27, 1991 through Tuesday, September 3, 1991.

Assistant Superintendent of Recreation, Peter Ashe, explained that Skip Conrad representing the San Francisco Fair, has requested a permit to use Civic Center Plaza. Mr. Conrad's request is for a number of days in order to set-up the event, hold the event and then break-down the event. In accordance with the Park Code, mechanical rides will not be placed on park property. In lieu of a permit fee, Mr. Conrad will give the Department 1500 admissions to the event. Mr. Ashe recommended approval of the permit.

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question, Mr. Ashe explained that the damage to the Civic Center Plaza from last year's event, had been paid for and rectified. He further stated a meeting will be held this year on site with Department personnel, Mr. Conrad, and the fair operator to discuss installation of fencing, etc., to ensure that the Plaza will not be damaged.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15973

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the San Francisco Fair to reserve Civic Center Plaza for San Francisco Fair - 1991 at specified times on Tuesday, August 27, 1991 through Tuesday, September 3, 1991.

7. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
STRYBING ARBORETUM

Approval to place a temporary trailer in Strybing Arboretum parking lot.

Director of the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens, Wald Valen, explained that the Strybing Arboretum Society has requested approval to place a trailer up against the County Fair Building complex in the parking lot area to serve as a temporary office space for the Society. The trailer will be in place for 3+ years until other space is made available.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15974

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves placement of a temporary trailer in Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens parking lot.

8. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
KEZAR RECYCLING CENTER
PLAN OF OPERATION

Approval of Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council Kezar Recycling Center Plan of Operation.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, explained that the current agreement with the Haight-Ashbury Neighborhood Council (HANC) for operation of the Kezar recycling center provides that the Commission approve an annual Plan of Operation. Staff has held many meetings with HANC, is in the process of developing a recycling plan for Golden Gate Park and has reviewed this plan at a public hearing.

Mr. Prindle highlighted the objectives of the plan of operation:

- Work to decrease the impact on the park and neighborhood by lessening car-trips, truck-trips, operations at undesirable hours and noise whenever possible.
- Work towards attaining the most flexible shipping schedule and improve the efficient handling of materials so as to have as low an impact as possible.
- Continue its efforts to recycle off-site all materials generated far from the site.
- Work to develop and implement internal recycling programs for institutional and other large users to lessen impacts on the Golden Gate Park site.
- Welcome the input of neighbors and staff towards improving operations, impacts and relations with all concerned.
- Evaluate the progress of this process, all parties recognizing the transitions ongoing in recycling generally and for HANC Recycling specifically.

8. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
KEZAR RECYCLING CENTER
PLAN OF OPERATION (Continued)

Commissioner Guggenhime clarified the point that the continuation of the recycling center on park property is not a subject for discussion at this meeting.

Shelley Reider, representing the City's Solid Waste Management Program, voiced her support of the operation plan and felt the document represented a good working agreement.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15975

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council Kezar Recycling Center Plan of Operation, for the recycling center located in Golden Gate Park.

9. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
HARRY M. STEVENS PRICE INCREASE
BASEBALL SEASON 1991

Approval of price increases, Harry M. Stevens, for baseball season 1991.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is a request to increase the price of seven food and beverage items during the baseball season ranging from .10¢ to .50¢ per item. The Commission has some limited power to review the items but cannot unreasonably withhold a fee increase. Food and beverage comparisons from the Oakland Coliseum, the Zoo, Moscone Center and Cow Palace were submitted with the price increase request. The comparisons shows that the prices are in the upper end of what is provided at these facilities but are not considered outside the "reasonable" range. Two proposals were submitted, one which called for increasing 7 items, the other increased 13 items. Both proposals generated the same amount of revenue. The justification for the increase is based on the alcohol tax and the increased costs incurred by Harry M. Stevens.

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question, Mr. Arnold explained that the alcohol tax varies depending on the type of item.

Vice President Eickman made a point that anybody who wants to attend a baseball game has the option of bringing in their own food. He asked what restrictions are imposed for bringing in beverage items.

Mr. Arnold explained that bottles, cans and plastic bottles are prohibited but a thermos is permitted.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

9. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
HARRY M. STEVENS PRICE INCREASE
BASEBALL SEASON 1991 (Continued)

RES. NO. 15976

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Harry M. Stevens price increases, for the 1991 baseball season as follows:

Item	Current	Approved
Chocolate Malt (12 oz.)	$ 1.40	$ 1.50
Polish Sausage (4 to a pound)	2.75	3.00
Peanuts (2-1/2 oz)	1.00	1.25
"Gourmet" Sausage (4 to a pound)	3.00	3.25
Pretzel	1.25	1.50
Beer (14 oz. domestic)	2.75	3.25
Imported Beer (14 oz.)	3.25	3.75

10. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
LUXURY SUITES
CATERING PRICE INCREASE -FOOTBALL SEASON 1991

Consideration of price increases, Harry M. Stevens, for luxury suites, football season 1991.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is a request to increase and revised the catering menu and prices for the 1991 football season. The caterer, Butler Catering, has requested an increase for three of the food items and deletion of three food items; all other items would remain unchanged. Increases are requested for some of the alcoholic beverages in the $1.00-$2.00 per bottle range. Comparisons were submitted with the request and there is a wide range of what is charged at other stadiums including one stadium which does not allow individuals to bring their own food and beverage items into the arena. Mr. Arnold explained that staff did not find a basis to deny the request and therefore recommended approval.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15977

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Harry M. Stevens price increases, for the luxury suites, football season 1991.

11. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
THIRD STADIUM LEASE AMENDMENT

Approval of 3rd Stadium Lease Amendment with the San Francisco Giants.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is an amendment to the stadium lease with the Giants. It is a product of a two-year intensive negotiation with the Department and the Giants. Specifically, there are five issues to the lease amendment:

Luxury Suites The suites are not mentioned in the original stadium lease since they were not built when the original lease was signed. The suites have now been constructed and there was a dispute as to how rental should be paid. The Giants have agreed to pay rental based on the entire value of the suite. In addition, two luxury suites will be made available to the City, free of rent. Mr. Arnold stated that rental of these two suites would generate $2500-$3500 to the Department if the suites were not provided to the City, and instead the Giants market them. This year's Candlestick Park capital improvement plan will provide a conference center to be constructed adjacent to the suite contemplated for the Commission. Staff hopes to be able to bring people to the stadium, and use both the conference center and the suite to market the use of Candlestick Park for other events.

Parking Spaces Giants have agreed to provide 40 parking spaces free of rent for use by Recreation and Park Department staff members who are assigned to work at the stadium.

Complimentary Tickets Giants will issue up to 247,000 complimentary tickets per season. Of the 247,000 complimentary tickets, 7,000 tickets will be made available to the Recreation and Park for use by children and youth involved in Department activities. In the past, the Department has purchased baseball tickets costing $15,000-$20,000 for recreational activities.

Paid Admissions This matter has been resolved to provide that "paid admissions", for the purpose of determining rent, shall be excluded from surcharges for parking and the stadium club.

Rental Offset A standard rental offset provision shall be included in the lease which will allow the Commission to offer a credit to the Giants if they perform a task or function which improves the stadium.

Mr. Arnold explained that this amendment has been reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office and Mr. Arnold recommended approval.

Commissioner Guggenhime said that the Giants charge between $47-49,000 a year for the luxury suites and that if rental was based on only the ticket price it would generate approximately $22,500. The revised rental package for the suites will generate close to $100,000.

11. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
THIRD STADIUM LEASE AMENDMENT (Continued)

Dennis Antenore, inquired about conflict of interest provisions of both the Charter and State Law and how these rules might apply to the luxury suite issue. He understood that if an individual contemplated a potential benefit in the future that might exceed the conflict of interest standard, then some type of public annunciation of that right must be stated before a vote is taken. He also wanted to make certain that the public received sufficient benefit from this lease provision and asked that the Commission consider auctioning or selling the suites in order to help defray the serious budget deficit facing the City.

General Manager Mary E. Burns, explained that the conflict of interest issue was carefully reviewed by the City Attorney's Office and that the Commissioners are not in conflict because they have not received more than $250 worth of tickets from the Giants in past years. Ms. Burns explained that part of the Department's budget strategy is to aggressively market Candlestick Park and, in the past, has been transferring surplus revenue from the Candlestick Fund to help balance the budget.

Commissioner Guggenhime commented that staff has spent two years negotiating a settlement agreement with the Giants and will collect in excess of $100,000 in revenues for the luxury suites alone, receive 7,000 complimentary tickets for the City's children and youth and save the Department between $15-20,000.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15978

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Third Stadium Lease Amendment with the San Francisco Giants.

12. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
PARKING LOT AGREEMENT

Approval of agreement with the San Francisco Giants to operate Candlestick parking lot.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this agreement provides that the Giants will operate the Candlestick Park parking lot during baseball season. The Giants have been operating the lot for the last two years on a trial basis. This agreement provides:

- The Giants will be able to continue operating the lot until their lease at Candlestick Park terminates.
- Giants would be reimbursed for the operating costs plus a fee of 5% of parking lot revenues net of parking taxes and operating costs.
- Giants will retain 100% of the revenue from prepaid parking spaces and pay the Department 95% if the space is actually used. Complimentary tickets will be viewed in the same manner.

12. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
PARKING LOT AGREEMENT (Continued)

In response to Vice President Eickman's question, Mr. Arnold explained that the preferred parking lot spaces will be monitored through a ticket checking system.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15979

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the agreement with the San Francisco Giants to operate Candlestick parking lot.

13. CANDLESTICK PARK
SCOREBOARD OPERATING AGREEMENT

Approval of Scoreboard Operating Agreement for Candlestick Park.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that the Giants have been operating the scoreboard at Candlestick Park since it was installed. However, they have never been paid for their operating costs, with the exception of the first year, because there has never been a formal agreement. The proposed agreement allows the Giants to recover their operating costs by submission of a budget to the Department. The budget cannot exceed the actual operating costs of 1990, plus inflation, without Commission approval. The scoreboard operating agreement provides $200,000 annually to offset operating costs.

Mr. Arnold explained that money was budgeted for operation of the scoreboard each year but not spent. He stated, by separate action, the Commission will submit a supplemental appropriation to pay the Giants for operating the scoreboard.

In response to Commissioner Eickman's question, Mr. Arnold explained that the Controller's Office will perform an audit for the period 1987 to 1990 in the near future.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15980

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Scoreboard Operating Agreement for Candlestick Park.

14. CANDLESTICK PARK
1991 SCOREBOARD OPERATING BUDGET

Approval of 1991 Scoreboard Operating Budget for Candlestick Park.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained this item pertains to the operating budget for the scoreboard. The Giants have submitted a 1991 scoreboard operating budget in the amount of $270,299. This request is consistent with the scoreboard operating agreement. The Giants have also requested one-time enhancements and new equipment for the animation program and video board since they have not been updated in the last four years. These enhancements, totaling $24,299, are in addition to the $270,299 operating budget and are subject to approval by the Mayor's Office. Funding for the scoreboard comes from the Stadium Fund.

Commissioner Ruiz wanted assurance that the base figure was $270,299 and that the enhancements were a one-time cost. He did not want the base figure to be inflated by the cost of the enhancements.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15981

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the 1991 Scoreboard Operating Budget for Candlestick Park.

15. CANDLESTICK PARK
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS OPERATION OF SCOREBOARD 1987-1990

Approval of supplemental appropriation in the amount of $767,828.55 to reimburse San Francisco Giants for operation of Candlestick Park scoreboard from 1987-1990.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained this item is a request to submit a supplemental appropriation to pay for the operation of the scoreboard from 1987 to 1990.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15982

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the supplemental appropriation in the amount of $767,828.55 to reimburse San Francisco Giants for operation of Candlestick Park scoreboard from 1987-1990.

16. CANDLESTICK PARK
APPROVAL OF PERMIT
BUTLER CATERING

Approval of permit to use Candlestick Park property by Butler Catering.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

17. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

Settlement of claim for parking lot fees and suite rental for baseball seasons 1987-1990.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained this item is one of the elements to the stadium lease agreement. The City owes some money to the Giants and vice versa. The Giants have agreed to pay $292,000 to settle a variety of items enumerated in an audit performed by the Controller's Office. The primary issues were how much money was owed the City for past rent on the suites and how much money was owed from the preferred parking area in 1989.

Vice President Eickman asked Mr. Arnold if the Giants have agreed to pay the $292,000 figure.

Bob Hartzell, representing the Giants, confirmed that the Giants have agreed to pay this dollar figure.

Dennis Antenore, stated that he was confused about the issue of the luxury suites versus the settlement of claim. He asked for clarification on the particulars of the settlement agreement and urged that ways be explored to maximize revenues for children's programs.

Mr. Arnold clarified the point that the luxury suites and the settlement of claim were two separate issues and the rental paid to the Commission for the luxury suites and parking payments were discussed as one issue.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15983

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the settlement of claim for parking lot fees and suite rental for baseball seasons 1987-1990.

18. CANDLESTICK PARK
CITY PARKING COMPANY
APPROVAL OF PERMIT

Approval of permit with City Parking Company for use of Lot 6 for overflow parking at Candlestick Park.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, explained that this item is a permit for one of the lots for overflow parking for baseball and football season. This lot is across the street from the stadium. In 1990 the permit fee was $4500; this year fee will be $7600.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that this lot, owned by the City, is somewhat landlocked and that it can accommodate approximately 40 parking spaces.

18. CANDLESTICK PARK
CITY PARKING COMPANY
APPROVAL OF PERMIT (Continued)

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15984

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the permit with City Parking Company for use of Lot 6 for overflow parking at Candlestick Park.

4:20 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. the Commission recessed.

18a. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR STADIUM
FENCE AND PATHWAY MODIFICATION

Consideration of fence and pathway modification for Kezar Stadium.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that a meeting was held to discuss fence and pathway modifications for Kezar, a walk-through tour was conducted with interested members from the community on this matter, and different options were discussed. An option suggested by Dennis Mosgofian from the community was proposed which moves the fence alignment to the inside of the promenade walkway at certain segments along the perimeter. Staff was directed to explore this option. Subsequently, Mr. Mosgofian approached staff with a revised option which uses some of the existing pathway outside of the approved fence alignment and would entail construction of additional pathway segments on the outside of the approved fence alignment. Staff preferred this option except for one proposed segment adjacent to the recycling center. Mr. Mosgofian's revised option creates a segment of pathway that would go between the recycling center and the approved fence. It was staff's opinion that this would create a situation where people would be out of sight from the surrounding area and present a safety concern. It would also be difficult to provide disabled access along this portion of the route, could be costly to remove rubble in this area and create problems with trucks being able to access the maintenance area.

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question, Ms. Learner explained that if the recycling center was not in the Kezar area, the pathway would not have to be "sandwiched in" and could easily be made handicap accessible.

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question regarding cost estimates for the pathway modification, Ms. Learner explained that one option modifying the fence alignment to the inside curb of the promenade would cost $808,000 (which includes construction, contingencies, soil studies, placement of lights on the outside pathway, etc.) The other option to provide a walk on the outside of the approved fence alignment would cost $540,000.

18a. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR STADIUM
FENCE AND PATHWAY MODIFICATION (Continued)

Tom Trimbur, Project Designer for the Kezar Stadium Project from the Department of Public Works, explained that the portion of the walkway between the recycling center and fence would have to be placed over an area of much rubble. A retaining wall and structural fill would be required costing approximately $300,000, perhaps more.

Shannon Maloney, Project Manager for the Kezar Stadium Project from the Department of Public Works, explained that it would be more cost effective to construct the additional pathway as a separate contract and to have the present contract completed before starting the additional pathway project. The savings would be approximately $150,000.

Calvin Welch, representing the Inner Sunset Haight Ashbury Polytechnic Coalition, explained that the pathway option was not the community's suggestion. He stated that nobody from the community endorsed an $800,000 or $500,000 fence and that they were concerned about staff's clear indication that the stadium will be a commercial facility with some limited community access. Staff's proposal of promenade outside of a locked facility is not responsive to the community. He explained that the question being asked is how can community access to the facility be guaranteed, rather than a costly additional pathway.

Robert Vergara, representing St. Ignatius High School, explained that, as an athletic director, he was in favor of the preferred alternative perimeter pathway option because it would ensure that during paid events only those who have either physical or visual access to the stadium will be allowed. He explained that if the perimeter path was placed closer to the stadium it would very easy for individuals to view a stadium activity without paying admission.

Anne Heinline, representing the San Francisco Unified School District, voiced the same concerns of the previous speaker (Mr. Vergara) and stated that the District wanted the perimeter pathway to be fairly distanced from the existing fence for supervision, security and access reasons. The School District requires a controlled gate in order to supervise the students and to avoid them loitering outside the stadium. She thought the community would concur with this sentiment.

Kenneth Brown, a long-time resident of the Kezar area, felt the concerns of lost revenues expressed by the schools was greatly overstated. He stated that students, friends and parents are the primary participants of such activity and they want to be inside the stadium to participate in the events. He felt that having greater public access to the promenade area would serve as a free form of security because more members of the public would be able to use the facility.

Paul Johnson, representing the Edgwood Neighborhood Association, explained that his organization met last week where he displayed the compromised options. He stated that the Association will not approve the preferred staff option and agreed with the sentiments of the previous speaker (Mr. Brown).

18a. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR STADIUM
FENCE AND PATHWAY MODIFICATION (Continued)

Peter Pelavin, representing the Woodland Avenue Association, stated that Kezar Stadium was built to be a multi-use/public-use facility and the proposal to place the pathway outside of the stadium does not make it a public stadium. He felt that the first compromise proposal of Mr. Mosgofian where the path intersects with the promenade at certain areas was a good idea. He also thought the opinion that schools will lose revenues was foolish. He further recommended that the pathways should be composed of gravel rather than asphalt.

Marc Christensen, representing the S.F. Coaches Association, urged the members of the Commission to adhere to the original design. He stated that the community had input 3-4 years ago and thought the options were a waste of money. He explained that if a perimeter pathway is added the schools will not supervise the people who will congregate outside the stadium. He felt the issue was community access to Kezar Stadium.

He submitted a petition with over 200 San Franciscan signatures who proposed that the following policy be adopted: (a) The stadium should not be used for any event which attracts more than 10,000 people; (b) The City should not spend scarce taxpayer dollars on making changes to Kezar Stadium design at this late date. The existing facility should be completed; (c) The Stadium should be open on a daily basis from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., except when paid events are in progress. If a second staff position cannot be budgeted to supervise Kezar Stadium, the Recreation and Park Department should re-assign existing staff to insure that this major facility remains open; (d) Paid events should be limited to 50 events a year. The number per week may vary depending on season; (e) The use and impact of the lights and sound system should be evaluated in a public meeting as part of the "Use Permit Policy" within six months of the opening of the stadium.

Commissioner Robert La Rocca, representing the Arts Commission, explained that the Civic Design Committee of the Arts Commission had approved the gates. He said that any change which would alter the relationship of the gate and the portico entrance would meet with opposition from the Civic Design Committee. He explained that the gates have been manufactured and are ready to be installed. The Committee had an understanding with the artist that these gates would be a part of the gateway system and the locking, security and aesthetic aspects are all integrated in the contract with the artist. He urged that whatever fence alternative that is selected should not abut with the portico and gate system previously approved as it is a very critical design issue that must be followed.

Nancy Cutler, became involved with this issue when she learned that there might be limited staffing which could impact the stadium from being open from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. She explained that her primary concern was access, as a community member, to the stadium. She wanted to be able to use the stadium when her children arrived home from school. She stated that the fence issue and providing a perimeter pathway is less important than having adequate staffing.

18a. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR STADIUM
FENCE AND PATHWAY MODIFICATION (Continued)

Dennis Mosgofian, stated that he came up with a proposed solution and now realized that it was a mistake. His original proposal skirts around the recycling center which he felt was a mistake. He did not want to be forced to pick an option because he felt both options were poor. He stated that the main issue is open space and accessibility. He felt that the community had been built out of the stadium and was now struggling to have access to the stadium. He stated that nobody wanted the $500,000 proposal.

Richard Skaff, Disability Access Coordinator for the Department of Public Works, Bureau of Building Inspection, explained that he was present to answer any questions regarding the handicap access code. He explained that the stadium must be handicap accessible and abide by both Federal, and State access codes, uniform Federal accessibility standards and Title XXIV of the State Building Code.

Dennis Antenore, representing Sunset Parkside Education Action Committee (SPEAK), stated that many speakers have discussed access which really was the primary issue. He explained the community wanted assurance that the facility would not be closed to the public in the future. He noted that Big Rec in Golden Gate Park is an open facility and he had never witnessed security problems at this site. He did not understand the security issue. He felt that it was understandable to have some sort of fencing for paid events but not acceptable to close the stadium from the public when there was no paid event. He did not want to pay $500,000 to 800,000 for a pathway when the citizenry wanted to be able to have access to the facility.

Dorrie Huntington, representing the Parkview Commons, stated that the staff proposal states the stadium would be a revenue producing sports arena. She was concerned with this concept because she remembered this project promised that the stadium would be available to the community. She felt the options presented were insulting because the pathway runs along Kezar Drive thereby giving the community no access. She stated that she stood outside the stadium and felt that with the press box and restrooms it would be very difficult to view any event inside the stadium.

Deborah Gellerman, explained that she was part of the community and felt that the Department has worked to keep recreation and park facilities open to the public. She did not think it was wise to be paranoid and felt that the community should work with the Department to obtain the necessary funding to keep the stadium open as many hours as possible and to explore ways to keep it open without staffing.

Estella Becerra, explained that she lives across the street from the stadium and was concerned about accessibility to the stadium. She wanted to be able to use the facility after 3:00 p.m. She understood that the stadium needed to be secured and protected but also wanted it accessible to the public.

President O'Connor stated that it appeared from the testimony given that people did not want another fence or pathway nor to pay the cost associated with this option. Rather, the speakers were more concerned about having access to the facility and the staffing to keep it open.

18a. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
KEZAR STADIUM
FENCE AND PATHWAY MODIFICATION (Continued)

Commissioner Orr stated that having attended the meetings held with the community there was not one single view, but a view from the schools, the Arts Commission, and differing views from community. He stated that the underlying question is that of accessibility. The solutions presented today are very costly and the outer fence was proposed in an attempt to address the access issue. The present fence cannot be moved in without encountering many problems including handicap accessibility and the outer walkway option does not appear to meet with approval from those who have spoken. Ultimately, the Commission will decide how the stadium will be operated.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that the fence alternatives will not accomplish anything but preferred to be able to guarantee that the stadium would be accessible seven days a week with the exception of paid events. He did not want to spend money for a fence that nobody wanted and which raised potential problems with the other City agencies (Arts Commission/DPW).

In response to Commissioner Orr's question, Mr. Skaff, stated that moving the fence would affect access and that at the endzone near the police station there would be tunnel situation, similar to a "caged-in area" in-between two fences which was a safety concern.

Commissioner Chan stated that he felt helpless because he was not on the Commission during the design process. He felt the Commission was being pushed back instead of forward. He did not want to approve a fence that was costly and which nobody desired.

President O'Connor stated that an additional fence is costly and does not answer any of the concerns from the community.

Ms. Learner outlined the original placement plan for the fence.

Commissioner Guggenhime suggested that the Commission consider granting approval of the original design on the condition that the facility will have public access, for a designated number of hours per day.

Commissioner Orr noted that Commissioner Guggenhime's thought potentially could have the facility open without supervision.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the facility was designed to serve a number of competing interests. The Department's playing fields are overused and the stadium was designed to be used by schools, City-wide user groups and the community. Schools wanted to have paid events and, due to the City's budgetary situation, the Department wanted to be able to have paid events. The all-weather track cannot be left unsupervised. She explained that the operation plan was presented last month and somehow was turned into a discussion about the placement of the fence rather than the operation plan. She suggested that everyone should focus on finding ways to staff the stadium and operate it. She also thought that the fence as originally designed was workable.

18a. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR STADIUM
FENCE AND PATHWAY MODIFICATION (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15985

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby reaffirms that the fence and pathway to the Kezar Stadium Master Plan will not be modified in any way from the original master plan and that the operations plan will be reviewed in the near future.

18b. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

3:40 p.m. - 4:10 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session to discuss Item 18b.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15986

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the compromise settlement of the litigated claim of Jeffrey Yang (a minor) and his parents, in the amount of $110,000.

19. GOLDEN GATE PARK
STOW LAKE
BID PACKAGE

Approval of bid package for a five year lease for Stow Lake boat rental and snack bar concession.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, explained that the current lease at Stow Lake will expire on Labor Day and the Commission was being asked to approve the Stow Lake bid package. At the Committee level, Cal Tilden, the current concessionaire, raised a number of issues. At the direction of the Committee, the bid package is structured for five years with a five year option. If the concessionaire exercises the five year option he/she must make $15,000 worth of improvements to the facility. The premises will include the entire boathouse building (with the exception of the gardener's storage), exterior walkways, ramp and floats, and boat storage shed. Mr. Prindle highlighted other features of the bid package:

- Rent: minimum rent of $55,000 although the minimum and percentage rent are biddable items
- Boat rental, snack bar and use of downstairs area for possible bicycle rental or the like.
- Maintenance: In addition to the interior and exterior of the building, the lessee will be required to maintain the public restrooms
- Improvements: the Snack bar floor area and boat hoist must be replaced
- Current number and composition of boat fleet
- Department reserves the right to permit activities in the early morning hours from time to time which require closure of Stow Lake

19. GOLDEN GATE PARK
STOW LAKE
BID PACKAGE (Continued)

Since the current lease expires on Labor Day, staff has reached agreement with Mr. Tilden to stay through the end of October with the same terms and conditions so that there will not be a change over during an extremely busy time of the year, Labor Day.

Mr. Tilden raised other concerns which were addressed including:

- The Concessionaire will be permitted to close one day a week during the winter.
- The Concessionaire will be permitted to close the restrooms at dusk during the winter.
- Watercraft liability insurance has been added, and the Concessionaire will be permitted to use a non-California insurance carrier, subject to the approval of the Risk Manager.
- Rents paid by the current concessionaire have been deleted from the bid package exhibits so as not to mislead potential bidders.
- Replacement of the boat hoist within the first three years of the lease term has been added as a required improvement, in consideration of the extension of the lease term from 5 to 10 years
- Minimum bid for guaranteed annual rent is set at $55,000.

Calvin Tilden, representing Stow Lake Corporation, explained that he has been the Stow Lake lessee for over 25 years He stated that the lease has some significant material changes which will affect the operation of the business. He recommended that a sentence be placed into the bid package which would state: "Bidders are advised to carefully review the current lease to evaluate the effect changes in the proposed lease will have on the concession profits and its ability to pay rent." He urged that this simple disclaimer clause be inserted into the bid package.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that perhaps it might be helpful to include the sentence suggested by Mr. Tilden.

Mr. Prindle explained that staff agreed to exclude the actual rent paid by Mr. Tilden in the bid package but did not think it necessary to add the sentence. He felt that if a bidder saw the disclaimer it would scare bidders away.

Mr. Tilden stated that his rent and gross are public records under City Charter and that any bidder can ask for that information.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15987

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the bid package for a five year lease for Stow Lake boat rental and snack bar concession.

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20. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
1991-1992 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

Ratification of 1991-92 budget adjustments for the Recreation and Park Department.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

21. LAKE MERCED
URBAN PARKS CONCESSIONNAIRE
LEASE AMENDMENT

Consideration of the request of the Board of Supervisors' to modify the previously approved lease amendment with Urban Parks Concessionaires for the fishing and boating concession at Lake Merced.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, explained that due to the detiorating conditions of the lake the Commission previously revised its agreement with Urban Parks Concessionaires for operation of the Lake Merced boating concession. When the Board of Supervisors considered this matter they raised two issues: concern that (1) there is no minimum rent and (2) there was no provision that if lake conditions change the original lease terms would again apply. The tenant has agreed to pay a minimum rent of $5,000 at all times and to insert a provision that the water quality and other pertinent environmental concerns will be reviewed quarterly or semi-annually and that the second amendment will expire automatically if environmental conditions improve.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15988

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the Board of Supervisors to modify the previously approved lease amendment with Urban Parks Concessionaires for the fishing and boating concession at Lake Merced to provide: (1) that the $5,000 mimimum rent shall apply and (2) that the original rent structure shall apply if the environmental conditions at Lake Merced improve.

22. DOLPHIN CLUB/SOUTH END ROWING CLUB
PUBLIC ACCESS PROCEDURES
EXTENSION OF TIME

Consideration to grant an extension of time for submission of procedures and criteria for sponsorship of events at the Dolphin Club and South End Rowing Clubs.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, explained that the Commission on 12/20/90 approved a number of items regarding the Dolphin/South End Rowing Clubs. Resolution No. 15876 stated, in part, that: "Events other than those sponsored by the clubs shall not be conducted in club facilities. Club procedures and criteria for sponsorship of events shall be submitted in writing within ninety days and are subject to review and approval by the Recreation and Park Commission. Denial of club sponsorship for proposed events shall be appealable to the Recreation and Park Commission."

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22. **DOLPHIN CLUB/SOUTH END ROWING CLUB**
PUBLIC ACCESS PROCEDURES
EXTENSION OF TIME (Continued)

The Commission indicated that certain minimum requirements should be included in the clubs' proposal including: (1) That there must be specific, written, measurable criteria, approved by the Commission, which describe the type of events and the requirements for events, in order to qualify for club sponsorship; and written procedures by which the clubs will review applications for sponsorship and (2) That the clubs must present methodologies for qualifying swimmers to participate in events, other than club membership, or must demonstrate that every reasonable effort has been made to do so.

Mr. Prindle explained that staff has not had adequate time to review the proposals submitted by the aquatic clubs and recommended that this matter be referred to a future meeting of the Parks and Planning Committee. He also thought it might be appropriate to have a public hearing prior to the Committee meeting.

Peter Bianucci, representing the Dolphin Club, stated that the Club has no paid staff and put a lot of time and effort into this policy. He felt they had addressed public access for outsiders to use facilities.

Meg Reilly, Vice President of the Dolphin Club, explained that she was present to answer any questions the Commission had regarding the policy submitted.

Commissioner Orr stated that he reviewed the Dolphin Club material and was concerned because he felt that the proposed policy seemed to offer a circular explanation and was not satisfied.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the Commission referred this matter to the May 1991 Parks and Planning Committee meeting for review.

23. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Margaret Brodkin, representing Coleman Advocates, explained that she planned to comment on the Giants' items but arrived after these items had been approved. She felt that rather than the City receiving two luxury suites, the cost of these suites could be targeted for children programs. She stated that $100,000 could open an afterschool program in every housing project and admit 100 disabled kids in the afterschool program. She felt that the Commission, in the interest of the City, should find a creative way to raise revenue and use it for the good of the City. Areas of her concern included: the lower base figure for calculating the rental of the luxury suites, payment for preferred parking, waiver of City's right in claims for the coming year, auctioning of seats.

23. PUBLIC COMMENT (Continued)

Karen Wood, representing the Randall Museum Society Board, explained that partial funding was restored for the Museum which has enabled the Museum to be able to open the animal room for several more hours a week. She submitted a petition requesting additional funding particularly for a curator position in order to continue the Master Plan objectives.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that this position has been vacant for some time, and because of the City's hiring freeze, has not been able to be filled because it it does not fit the terms of what is fundable under the hiring freeze.

Ms. Wood urged the Department to submit the special requisition procedure form to the Mayor's Office for its review.

Connie Fox, a boarder at the Golden Gate Park Stables, explained that she was informed that an individual named Peter Desmond, had complained to the Commission regarding certain illegalities of herself and other boarders. She explained that when she entered her horse into the stables she was never aware that she was behaving in an illegal manner and objected to that term. She was not aware that there was a list upon which someone had to be first, second or third. She had serious objections to the word "illegal" as used by Mr. Desmond and did not understand its implications.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that Mr. Desmond has complained to the Commission regarding the Golden Gate Park Stables waiting list.

Betty Silverman, discussed the Golden Gate Park Stables and disagreed with statements made by Peter Desmond at previous Commission meetings regarding the operations of the stables. She has been at the stables for over 30 years and felt that Mr. Desmond was misinformed. She explained that there is nothing in the Master lease which addresses a waiting list and that there was, at one time, a courtesy list when the portable corrals were removed so that people be taken into the main barn as stalls became available.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, explained that staff is working with the concessionaire and will be coming forward with a total package of rules and regulations, including the issue of the waiting list in the near future. Staff has met with the City Attorney and has not been able to find any Resolution or ordinance relating to the lease which talks about a waiting list.

David Tran, representing the Tenderloin Youth Advocates, discussed his desire to market the City's luxury suite for children services and supported the statements made by Ms. Brodkin. He stated that with decreasing budgets it is particularly important to use the Giants' items for the City's children.

24. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President O'Connor discussed the amount of staff time devoted to the Kezar Master Plan project.

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25. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 15989

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gift valued at $4,503.17, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From Dolphin Training Group, six starting blocks, valued at $4,503.17, for Sava Pool.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate letter of thanks shall be sent to the donor.

26. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of February 6, 1991
Recreation Program Committee Meeting of February 27, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of March 4, 1991
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of March 7, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of March 7, 1991
Candlestick Park and Golf Committee Meeting of March 14, 1991

27. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Jeff Cappell, long time friend of Commissioner McAteer, who recently passed away.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Charles Burr, who recently passed away. Mr. Burr helped develop the Strybing Arboretum in Golden Gate Park.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, the meeting was adjourned with best wishes for a speedy recovery to Jimmie Shepherd, a recreation director at Sixth and Folsom Playground. Ms. Shepherd is recuperating from surgery.

There being no further business, the 657th Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

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San Francisco, California
April 18, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

658TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Fifty-Eighth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, April 18, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime (noted present at 4:15 p.m.)
Commissioner Frances McAteer
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz
Absent:
Commissioner Trent Orr

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 21, 1991, were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns submitted the following report:

"HARBORMASTER POSITION

I am pleased to announce that Gary Davis has been appointed as permanent Harbormaster for the San Francisco Marina. Gary has been acting as temporary Harbormaster since July, 1989 and has done an outstanding job in working with the boatowners as well as the Marina residents. He has a plan for major improvements to the harbor over the next five years, and I know we all look forward to seeing these improvements realized. Congratulations, Gary.

HEARING ON KEZAR

On Tuesday, May 7 the City Services Committee of the Board of Supervisors will be conducting a hearing on Kezar Stadium. On Wednesday, May 8, 7:00 p.m., another hearing on this subject will be held in the Commission Room at McLaren Lodge to discuss the plan of operation.

WATER CONSERVATION

On April 23 the Public Utilities Commission will be reviewing water allocations for San Francisco, including residential, commercial and municipal allocations. It is hoped that an increase in our allocation will be approved, in which case it will probably mean 25% of 1987 usage.

During the month of March, 1991 the Department was well under its allocation with a savings of 38,880,107 gallons of water.

GOLDEN GATE PARK BAND

On April 9th a very successful press conference was held on the steps of City Hall to kick off the campaign to "Save the Golden Gate Park Band." The event featured the band playing a variety of tunes and ended with Mayor Art Agnos conducting a lively rendition of "San Francisco." The event has created much interest in saving the band. Already, over $2,000 has been donated by San Franciscans interested in keeping the band alive. All monies collected through these donations will be given to the new non-profit corporation established to raise money for this purpose.

NAMING OF SIXTH AND FOLSOM FACILITY

Last week a committee to select an official name for the Sixth and Folsom recreation facility met to make their decision. The committee received over 100 entries as a result of the naming contest sponsored by the Recreation Division. The committee labored for many hours in making their decision because of the many creative names submitted. Special thanks to Commissioner Santiago Ruiz for chairing the committee and serving as the Department representative. The proposed name, "South of Market Recreation Center" will be submitted to the next Parks and Planning Committee for its approval, and then to the full Commission for approval at your May meeting. Staff plans a one-year celebration in May, commemorating the opening of the facility and the official naming where the contest winner will be awarded the prize of a weekend at Camp Mather.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

CULTURAL AFFAIRS TASK FORCE

The Board of Supervisors is now in the process of establishing a task force to study the consolidation of all arts and cultural activities in the City. The task force will consist of twenty-seven individuals representing various art and cultural organizations from throughout the City. Two members will be selected from City departments who share an interest in the arts. I have asked Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, to submit his name for one of the representatives from a City department. I believe it will be quite helpful in having a member of this task force from our staff not only to lend valuable input, but also to monitor any possible changes that may affect this Department.

PENGUIN HATCHINGS AT SAN FRANCISCO ZOO

The penguin colony at the Zoo is thriving. Thus far eleven eggs have been laid with an incubation period of 38 - 42 days. Zoo Director, David Anderson, states that they are laying the eggs over a broader period than last year, and attributes this to their new quarters.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

The Board of Supervisors recently passed the ordinance approving the new position of Assistant Director for Capital Development at the San Francisco Zoo. The main responsibility of this position is to oversee the $26 million infrastructure improvements funded by the Earthquake Bond measure.

NEW ZOO PARKING METER FEATURED ON ABC NEWS

A new Zoo "rain forest" parking meter was a feature on ABC news last evening. The purpose of the new meter is to purchase rain forest acreage in Costa Rica. Every 25¢ deposited goes to this worthy project. Instead of the regular parking meter, when money is deposited, it shows a picture of a rain forest and rain forest animals. Norm Gershenz was the originator of this creative idea, and if you would like to add to the purchase of the rain forest, the meter is located between the tiger exhibit and the Asian Rhino exhibit. It will also be installed in other zoos throughout the country.

EMPLOYEE NIGHT AT CANDLESTICK

On Friday night, May 17th, the Recreation and Park Department will hold its Fourth Annual "Night with the Giants." This is a family-oriented event, with a great tailgate party beginning at 5:30 p.m. in the main parking lot. Everyone is invited, so if you are interesting in this department get-together make your reservation with Shauna Rose.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

CAMP MATHER RESERVATIONS

After one week of booking San Francisco residents at Camp Mather, we have sold 65% of our cabins. Last year after the first week we had sold 60%. The value so far for this year's reservations is $497,236, while the same period last year amounted to $419,242. We will continue to book only San Francisco residents until the end of the week. Starting Monday, April 22, we will begin booking non-residents as well. The cabins sleeping four people are already sold out for seven of the ten-week season.

The wrist-band identification system will again be used.

LANDSCAPE GARDEN SHOW

As you are aware, the Friends of Recreation and Parks Annual Landscape Garden Show opened for its annual run yesterday at Fort Mason. This year the theme is "Stars for the Parks" and includes gardens by Robin Williams, Johnny Mathis, Lofti Mansouri, George Lucas, Herb Caen, Herb Gold, Sherry Agnos and other luminaries. Each year the show develops from past experience, and I assure you that this year is a "not-to-be-missed" event. I encourage all of you to attend, not only to see a terrific show, but proceeds from the event go towards the support of departmental programs.

FRENCH DIGNITARIES

Tomorrow afternoon Joel Robinson and I will be meeting with the French Delegation of the Regional Council of Ile de France. The group includes several Mayors and council members. They are very interested in the organization of recreation, sports and park facilities. A slide show will be provided by Diane Palacio.

NEW FOOD ITEMS AT CANDLESTICK PARK

Harry M. Stevens Associates has informed us of some new food items at the snack stands:

Charbroiled Chicken Sandwich (w/lettuce & tomato)	$3.75
Soup (served in a sourdough bread bowl)	$3.25
Iced Tea (14 oz.)	$1.50
Extra Large Soft Drink (32 oz.) (Served in souvenir cup)	$1.75

These new "experimental" items will be tried out during the 1991 season and will come to the Commission for approval if successful.

3. **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT** (Continued)

GENERAL MANAGER TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

I will be in Philadelphia from April 23 - 30 to attend the 1991 Urban Park and Recreation Alliance Conference. Some of the topics to be discussed are:

°Gangs - Positive and Negative Impact on Recreation and Parks
°Police and Interaction with Recreation and Park Departments
°Generating Revenue for Local Recreation and Parks °Community Support for Recreation and Parks through Volunteerism
°Impact of Homelessness on Recreation and Parks

Barney Barron will be Acting General Manager during this time.

STRYBING ARBORETUM SOCIETY AWARD

The Strybing Arboretum Society is the recipient of a national award from the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta. The award was presented for the overall quality of their 1989-90 Annual Report.

RHODODENDRONS IN BLOOM

Now is the time to begin enjoying the beautiful rhododendron blooms in Golden Gate Park. While the peak of the season will be from next week through Mother's Day, May 11th, the rhodies at 36th Avenue and Kennedy Drive (Rhododendron Island) are just about in full bloom as are those at 19th Avenue and Martin Luther King Drive. Rhododendron Dell should be ready within a week. Union Square, and for the first time Portsmouth Square, are also locations that are enhanced by the beauty of these flowers.

MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT

The following are claims $5,000 or under settled by the City Attorney's Office for the month of March, 1991:

Claimant	Amount
Jesser	$ 1,660.12
Maberley	19.29
Vanaria	829.49
Ryan	785.40
Morton	235.32
Burgess	5,000.00
Felix	884.04

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, May 1, 1991	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:30 p.m., (tour) 5:00 p.m. (meeting) San Francisco Zoo
Thursday, May 2, 1991	Parks and Planning Committee, 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, May 2, 1991	Special Joint Commission Meeting (Recreation and Park and City Planning Commissions) 1:30 p.m., Room 282, City Hall (Open Space Committee Recommendations)
Thursday, May 2, 1991	Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Friday, May 3, 1991	Cinco de Mayo Lunch, 12 noon Sigmund Stern Grove
Monday, May 6, 1991	Golden Gate Park Committee 3:00 p.m. (tour) 4:00 p.m., (meeting) McLaren Lodge
Tuesday, May 7, 1991	Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Chan, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. Personnel Matters — RES. NO. 15990

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period March 7, 1991 through April 3, 1991.

b. GOLDEN GATE PARK/GREAT HIGHWAY EXAMINER BAY TO BREAKERS ROAD CLOSURES — RES. NO. 15991

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Examiner Charities request for Golden Gate Park road closures and use of the Great Highway for the 1991 Bay To Breakers race and celebration on Sunday, May 19, 1991, from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 Noon.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

c. **GOLDEN GATE PARK PANHANDLE** RES. NO. 15992
6TH ANNUAL S. F. CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS
(SUMMER ALL-STAR BASKETBALL TOUR)
TWO DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request by Summit Broadcasting to hold the 6th Annual San Francisco City Championships (Summer All-Star Basketball Tour) on Saturday, July 6, and Sunday, July 7, 1991, at Panhandle Playground from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

d. **GLEN PARK** RES. NO. 15993
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the San Francisco Council of Parent Participation Nursery Schools Inc., to use Glen Park for a multiple day event on Saturday, May 25, 1991, Sunday, May 26, 1991 and Monday, May 27, 1991 at specified times for their 17th Annual Event.

e. **LAKE MERCED** RES. NO. 15994
GRANT

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the application in an amount not to exceed $300,000 to the Land and Water Conservation Fund for reimbursement grant for Lake Merced Perimeter Walkway rehabilitation project.

f. **MISSION DOLORES PARK** RES. NO. 15995
INCREASE IN CONTRACT CONTINGENCY

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase in the construction contingency for tennis court lighting in the amount of $5,000 from unassigned funds for installation of access gates.

g. **GOLDEN GATE PARK** RES. NO. 15996
KEZAR STADIUM
INCREASE IN CONTRACT CONTINGENCY

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase in construction contingency in an amount not to exceed $448,723.58 from budgeted but "unassigned" and from supplements from the 1987 Park Bond Fund and the Open Space Fund to Amoroso/Varett Joint Venture to complete change order work and address claims at Kezar Stadium.

h. **PUSHCART/CATERING TRUCK** RES. NO. 15997
MODIFICATIONS TO PERMIT FORM PROCEDURE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the technical modifications to mobile catering permit form and procedure.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

i. AQUATICS RES. NO. 15998
POOL SCRIP TICKET REFUND POLICY

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following refund/replacement policy for lost, stolen or damaged swimming pool scrip tickets:

Lost or stolen tickets In the event of a lost or stolen ticket the Recreation and Park Department cannot replace or refund the remaining ticket value. It is nearly impossible to determine the value of remaining swims. In addition, it may be possible for an individual to claim a lost or stolen ticket and then continue to use it. The Department will post notices identifying lost or stolen ticket numbers. However, it is very difficult to spot the ticket number when several patrons arrive at the same time. This typically occurs for the busy lap swims.

Damaged tickets-Legible A damaged ticket will be eligible for a partial or full refund based upon the condition of the ticket. If the ticket number is legible and can be found by cross referencing the sales log book a full or pro-rated refund will be awarded.

Damaged tickets-Illegible If the ticket is completely damaged and illegible but a sales entry is logged then the Department will provide a pro-rate refund, based upon the potential use. Although usage may vary, we have attempted to provided a reasonable and fair refund policy. It is possible for a person to swim every day and therefore the a $20 swim would be used up in 11 days or 1.6 weeks. Average usage is about 4 weeks. Therefore, the following table shall apply:

Time period	% of face value to be refunded
Within one week from date of purchase	90 percent
Within two weeks from date of purchase	50 percent
Within three weeks from date of purchase	20 percent
Within four weeks from date of purchase	10 percent
After four weeks from date of purchase	No refund

Processing of refund The original ticket must be delivered, with the a Department Refund Form, to the Aquatics Division, Kezar Pavilion. These forms are available at each swimming pool. The ticket, date of purchase, name and address, city, and phone number must be included or written on the form.

The Aquatics Division must approve the form and forward to the Finance Section at McLaren Lodge. Once The Finance Section receives the form we will verify the sale and process the refund. The process may take between two and four weeks to complete.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

j. MARINA GREEN — RES. NO. 15999
INSTALLATION OF WATER SUCTION CONNECTIONS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed installation of six water suction connections in the West Harbor and along the Marina Green as indicated on drawings submitted by the Department of Public Works dated 2/25/91.

k. ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYST — RES. NO. 16000
DUFFEY COMPANY CONTRACT
MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the contract modification extending term to June, 1992 and supplementing contract amount by $24,000 for fiscal year 1991-92.

l. CAMP MATHER — RES. NO. 16001
STANISLAUS NATIONAL FOREST

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the submission of a letter of comment to the Stanislaus National Forest regarding Camp Mather.

m. SHARP PARK GOLF COURSE — RES. NO. 16002
EASEMENTS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the easements for North Coast County Water Department at Sharp Park Golf Course.

n. CONSERVATORY OF FLOWERS — RES. NO. 16003
SAN FRANCISCO CONSERVATORY OF FLOWERS AUXILIARY
APPROVAL OF BUDGET

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the San Francisco Conservatory of Flowers Auxiliary budget for January, 1991 through July, 1992.

o. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT — RES. NO. 16004
EXTENSION OF LEASES

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the month-to-month holdover of the following Recreation and Park Department leases:

a. Japanese Tea Garden - Expires May 31, 1991
b. Golden Gate Park Golf Course - Expires June 30, 1991
c. Stow Lake Concession - Expires August 31, 1991

p. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 16005
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT
YOUTH ARTS FESTIVAL

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for a multiple day event to hold the 5th Annual Kennedy Center Imagination Celebration/Youth Arts Festival at the Music Concourse on May 8 through May 11, 1991.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. **CIVIC CENTER PLAZA**
THREE DAY EVENT
CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL

Approval of request from Mission Economic and Cultural Association (MECA) to hold a three day festival at specified times in the Civic Center Plaza area on Saturday, May 4, 1991 and Sunday, May 5, 1991 for the Annual "Cinco de Mayo" festival.

Assistant Recreation Supervisor, Sharon Moyer, explained that this year's annual Cinco de Mayo festival will be held at Civic Center because the former site, Potrero del Sol, cannot accommodate the expected number of people. Staff requested approval of the three day event with the understanding that all mechanical rides shall be placed on the street. The street, rather than Civic Center Plaza itself, shall be fenced and will have 4-5 admission gates. A $3.00 admission fee will be charged; children under 12 shall be admitted free of charge. Food and beverage booths will not be on Recreation and Park Department property.

Commissioner McAteer asked that the event coordinator be required to post notice at Civic Center Plaza that the facility will be closed for a short time period.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16006

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from Mission Economic and Cultural Association (MECA) to hold a three day festival at specified times in the Civic Center Plaza area on Saturday, May 4, 1991 and Sunday, May 5, 1991 for the Annual "Cinco de Mayo" festival. All activities on Friday, May 3, 1991 will take place outside the fenced area of Civic Center Plaza.

6. **CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL**
PERMIT FEE

Consideration of the permit fee for the Annual "Cinco de Mayo" festival to be held on on Saturday, May 4, 1991 and Sunday, May 5, 1991 at Civic Center Plaza.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that since the Cinco de Mayo festival has changed sites and will be charging an admission fee for the first time staff asked for a larger permit fee than it has in the past. Staff proposed that the Cinco de Mayo committee pay the Department a guaranteed minimum of $3,000 or 30% of the gross revenues from the event, up to a maximum of $8,000. The attendance level may drop because this is the first year that an admission fee will be charged.

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

6. **CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL**
PERMIT FEE (Continued) RES. NO. 16007

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a permit fee which will guarantee the Recreation and Park Department a minimum payment of $3000.00 or 30% of all gross revenue: whichever is greater, with a maximum of $8,000, for the Annual "Cinco de Mayo" festival to be held on on Saturday, May 4, 1991 and Sunday, May 5, 1991 at Civic Center Plaza.

7. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
PANHANDLE
DENIAL OF PERMIT

Appeal of denial of permit request by Community College to use paved area of the Panhandle as parking area for students attending John Adams Campus Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 Noon from August 1991-May 30, 1992.

Vice President Eickman asked that this matter be referred to the next Commission meeting since it was such an important policy issue.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the Commission referred this matter to the May Commission meeting.

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In response to President O'Connor's question, **Park Planner, Deborah Learner,** explained that permits are issued for parking in the Panhandle area on weekends and occasionally for one day events.

President O'Connor asked staff to consider placing a third bollard at the Panhandle site to prohibit cars from parking in the area without a permit.

8. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
THIRD STADIUM LEASE AMENDMENT

Ratification of technical amendment to the third stadium lease amendment with the San Francisco Giants.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained the Commission approved the third amendment to the Giants stadium lease at the 3/21/91 meeting. A question was raised at that meeting as to how the two luxury suites, provided to the City in the third amendment, would be treated, and whether the City would have any revenue generating capability as a result of receiving these suites. After consultation with the Department, City Attorney, and the Mayor's Office, Mr. Arnold met with the Giants to discuss whether the City could use these suites to generate additional revenue. The Giants are adamantly opposed to allowing the City to market the two luxury suites and, since, under the terms of the lease the Giants have exclusive control over the turnstile, this proposal has not been further pursued. However, the Giants have agreed to pay the City rent equivalent to the amount it would receive if the Giants marketed those suites. Therefore, the City will receive approximately $2500 to $3500 per suite, per year. In return, the City agreed that it would not market the suites.

8. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
THIRD STADIUM LEASE AMENDMENT (Continued)

General Manager Mary E. Burns, clarified the point that this action will not prevent the Commission or Department from using those suites for one of the Department's children afterschool programs, a senior program, etc.

Carol Hotnit-Callen, representing Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth, stated the intent of their "children's budget" would be to use the two luxury suites for a fundraiser for children. She was discouraged that the Commission was willing to approve this amendment without public input and felt it showed no compassion for the needs of children.

Dennis Antenore, felt he was being deceived by this proposal. He did not believe that staff presented the Giants with the proposal to use the two suites to fund recreation programs. He stated that there was inadequate notice, no public input, and was for the benefit of the Commission and Mayor. He suggested that the Commission pass a resolution urging Mr. Lurie to market the two suites for recreation programs and have him publicly proclaim that he will not allow the City to do this. Then, approve this amendment.

David Tran, representing the Tenderloin Youth Advocates, commented that the kids of the Tenderloin need the money and in view of the City's budget crisis it was unwise to pass this amendment.

Calvin Welch, stated that the Department is faced with a $2.5 Million budget deficit and the Commission recently approved a lease amendment with the Giants whereby the City loses approximately $250,000. A long standing problem was resolved regarding the City's revenue for the luxury suites and, in the process, two luxury suites were made part of the deal. He asked what public policy was being pursued with the amendment and suggested that Mr. Lurie be posed with the proposal to let the City market the suites. He urged the Commission to not pass this amendment.

Commissioner McAteer stated that she could not accept this amendment and wanted the Department to receive some revenue for the suites.

President O'Connor explained that the Giants have agreed to pay the Department $5,000 to $7,000 for the suites and that the suites can be used for the Department's youth and senior programs.

Mr. Arnold explained the options: have the Giants retain the luxury suites and market them, or, give the City one or two luxury suites for its use. He researched whether or not the City could be permitted to market the suites, as did the City Attorney and the Mayor's Office. There was a negative response to all inquiries, however, the Giants did agree to pay the City a sum equivalent to what the City would have received had the Giants marketed the boxes to a third party. He felt this amendment was the best deal that could be negotiated.

8. CANDLESTICK PARK
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
THIRD STADIUM LEASE AMENDMENT (Continued)

Deputy City Attorney Mara Rosales, explained the question posed by her was, What are the uses that the City might consider for these luxury suites? She was told that the Department was thinking of possibly marketing the suites and advised that such action would be considered a breach of the lease. She explained that the City has a legal obligation to the Giants not to do anything to undermine the benefits given to them in the lease. The Giants have the exclusive right to sell tickets for baseball. The Giants opposed the proposal to market the suites. If the City marketed the suites on its own, a lawsuit could be filed against the City, causing litigation and a financial loss during the legal process. The proposal before the Commission today gives the City revenue as if the Giants had marketed the suites and in addition the City is able to use the boxes in a manner that it finds appropriate for City-related purposes.

Commissioner McAteer stated that the language should say that the suite will be used for children.

Ms. Rosales stated that the proposed language prohibits the Commission from selling the suites; it does not prohibit the Commission from adopting a policy outside of the lease amendment detailing the use of the suites.

Commissioner Ruiz asked if there was a system whereby revenues from the Giants could be designated for youth programs.

Mr. Arnold explained that the 1991-92 budget approved by the Commission included a recommendation to the Mayor instituting a teen program at Candlestick Park entirely funded by stadium revenues costing more than $100,000. The Mayor's staff is now reviewing this recommendation.

Commissioner Ruiz understood the frustrations expressed by the public but also understood the Giants perspective on this issue. He felt the recommendation should be approved followed by a separate resolution detailing the specific uses for the suite.

Commissioner Chan stated that this amendment was good and that approval of anything different could invite a lawsuit from Giants.

Commissioner Eickman stated that the Coleman Advocates' proposal was not sound because the Commission cannot legally use a section of one of its leases in opposition to the lessee. He felt that the proposal would give the City revenue and allow the Commission to use the suites in an appropriate manner. He further stated that a separate policy on how the suites will be used can be adopted.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16008

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the technical amendment to the third stadium lease amendment with the San Francisco Giants, to state:

8. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS
THIRD STADIUM LEASE AMENDMENT (Continued)

RES. NO. 16008
(Continued)

"For each of these two luxury suites provided to the City for its exclusive use, the Giants shall pay the City a sum equal to five percent (5%) of the paid admissions value of a comparably priced luxury suite. 'Paid admissions' for luxury suites is defined in section 9 (b). The City shall use the luxury suites identified in this subsection for official City related purposes only. The City shall not offer or cause to be offered for sale the right of admission to the luxury suites identified in this subsection 3 (c)."

ACTION: Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Eickman, O'Connor, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioner McAteer
Absent: Commissioner Guggenhime

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On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the Commission directed that the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee shall consider development of a policy on how the luxury suites will be utilized.

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9. **SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION REQUEST**
WORKERS' COMPENSATION COSTS

Approval of the submission of supplemental appropriation request for Workers' Compensation costs with the condition that funding sources shall be identified before submitting the request to the Mayor's Office.

Safety Officer, Betty Lim, presented a supplemental appropriation request for a maximum of $134,654, which is the projected shortfall (provided by the Retirement System) for Workers' Compensation costs. The Workers' Compensation budget for this year is $896,000, the same amount budgeted for in 1989-90. The shortfall covers two years of increased medical costs and benefits. Ms. Lim presented a partial funding plan to allocate or charge the Worker's compensation costs back to the Department's particular programs. She further explained that, in the near future, she will present for approval an Injury Prevention Program, which must be in place by 7/1/91.

In response to Commissioner Ruiz's question, **General Manager Mary E. Burns,** explained that the Department has a Central Safety Committee which individually reviews each claim, assigns a value to it and assesses whether it was due to an unsafe work place, or was a preventable incident. She further explained that the case load for the City's Retirement System is high and therefore it is difficult to reduce Workers' Compensation costs.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16009

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the submission of supplemental appropriation request for Workers' Compensation costs with the condition that funding sources shall be identified before submitting the request to the Mayor's Office.

10. CAMP MATHER
WEST COAST WOMEN'S MUSIC AND COMEDY FESTIVAL

Recision of Resolutions 15920/15921 awarding leases to Robin Tyler Productions aka West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival at Camp Mather and retention of bid deposit.

Director of Property Management, Lucinda Pope Scanlan, explained that Ms. Robin Tyler, representing the West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival, has notified the Department that she is no longer interested in the Labor Day or camp store Camp Mather leases. Ms. Scanlan publicly apologized to the Harvey Milk Gay and Lesbian Democratic Club for any presumption she may have made stating in her letter of 3/26/91 that the Club had taken a position on women-only events. On 1/17/91 the lease was initially approved and a series of negotiations took place on language issues. Ms. Tyler has indicated that there may be litigation in this matter. The Committee recommended that the two resolutions awarding the leases to Robin Tyler should be rescinded and that the bid deposit should be retained by the Department unless staff is successful to market the now vacant Labor Day event. The Department has lost approximately $23,000 from this Labor Day lease.

3:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
the Commission convened in Executive Session

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16010

RESOLVED, That this Commission rescinds Resolutions 15920/15921 awarding leases to Robin Tyler Productions aka West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival at Camp Mather and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission shall retain the bid deposit unless staff is successful in renting the camp for an alternate Labor Day event for more than $5,000 in which case the bid deposit will be returned.

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Note for the Record:
After the initial vote was taken **Superintendent of Park, Bernard Barron,** suggested that the Commission resolution should specify that if the Department rents the facility for less than $5,000 the bid deposit will not be returned. Therefore the Commission rescinded its previous vote and adopted the Resolution as shown above with the requested modification.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the Commission rescinded its vote. On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the Commission adopted Res. No. 16010.

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11. CAMP MATHER
STRAWBERRY MUSIC INC.
AWARD OF LEASE

Award of Lease to Strawberry Music Inc. for operation of Camp Store at Camp Mather.

Director of Property Management, Lucinda Pope Scanlan, explained that staff contacted Strawberry Music, Inc., the second highest bidder, for the Camp Mather store lease, as soon as notice was received from the Women's Music Festival that they no longer were interested in the lease. The Camp Mather store must be opened by the Memorial Day weekend and staff was in need of an operator. Strawberry Music, Inc., has agreed to the lease terms which is identical to the Womens' Music Festival lease with the following exception: Rent shall be $9,000 or 8.5% of gross revenues, a cabin for staff, and a flat rent rather than percentage rent for washers and dryers. A five year lease has been submitted for approval and, a temporary permit, which will take effect immediately so they can prepare for the opening of camp season. The permit will expire as soon as the lease is approved by the Board of Supervisors.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16011

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of a five-year lease for operation of the camp store at Camp Mather to Strawberry Music, Inc., commencing with the 1991 season, following execution of the approving ordinance by the Mayor of San Francisco, and

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the granting of a Permit to Use Property to Strawberry Music, Inc. for operation of the camp store at Camp Mather, commencing immediately and terminating upon the commencement of the five-year lease herein approved, but no later than October 1, 1991.

5:10 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session to discuss Item #12.

12. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16012

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the the proposed settlement of the litigated claims of Robert L. Thurmond in the amount of $35,000.00 and Carlos Lopez in the amount of $1,000.00.

13. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
1991-1992 BUDGET REDUCTIONS

Consideration of budget reductions in the 1991-92 base budget request submitted to the Mayor.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that she was presenting a 10% General Fund reduction proposal for the Department. The City is facing a severe budget deficit of approximately $178 Million which is complicated by the fact that the State is also facing an enormous budget crisis. This could further impact the City's revenue outlook and perhaps the Department. The reduction priorities as outlined by the Mayor's budget Office were: minimize direct service cuts, concentrate on administrative and supervisory positions, and to be aware that this is probably not a one-time crisis. There are structural problems with the City's budgeting system. The Mayor's Office asked Departments to reorganize their functions and to down size the number of employees funded by City funds.

Ms. Burns met with 30 of the Department's managers and spent several hours going over a variety of suggestions to address the budget crisis. In addition, she sent a survey to employees asking for reduction suggestions, ways the work might be done more efficiently and ways to generate additional funds. 75 responses were received. In trying to decide where to propose cuts Ms. Burns reviewed what had been done in the past few years. In particular, she looked at administrative and supervisory positions because both the Recreation and Park divisions have been reduced in past years. She carefully analyzed both the Finance and Administrative divisions of the Department.

Ms. Burns outlined the reductions:

Finance and Administration Division ($347,329) Eliminate the Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, both marketing positions, one of the two head accountants, a computer programmer and a volunteer coordinator. These reductions will limit marketing efforts, reduce business development program, eliminate management information system programs, reduce project management staff and reduce outreach to volunteers/community.

Park Division ($405,333) Eliminate two nursery specialists, five gardeners from neighborhood parks and squares and two custodians from Golden Gate Park. Reduce overtime funds. These reductions will restrict the ability to produce flowers/plant material for parks, and reduce neighborhood park maintenance.

Zoological Gardens ($133,339) Eliminate one gardener, one senior animal keeper and the assistant industrial hygienist. There will be reduced horticultural maintenance, limited supervision on weekends and a reduced ability to deal with job-related illnesses and injuries.

Recreation Division ($189,912) Eliminate two supervisors and two recreation directors. These reductions will result in less field supervision and reduced staff at two neighborhood recreation centers. The two supervisors are currently vacant positions. The recreation directors cutbacks would be at two large centers and will reduce the number of program hours.

13. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
1991-1992 BUDGET REDUCTIONS (Continued)

Reduce Vehicle Maintenance ($100,000). This reduction would eliminate the Saturday shift for the vehicle maintenance crew. The service reductions would include longer intervals between maintenance for all vehicles and equipment and less preventive maintenance.

Transfer the sodding crew to Candlestick Park ($464,038). This transfer would not result in a reduction in service. This crew works at Candlestick Park part of the year and in other parks the balance of the year.

Transfer responsibility for field maintenance at other stadiums to Candlestick Park ($270,124). This transfer would include one position for Kezar Stadium, four positions for Balboa Park and one position for the Polo Fields in Golden Gate Park. No service reduction would result.

Increase Revenue Fund transfer to General Fund ($400,000). This increase would come by not funding equipment and safety items which were requested in the base budget but denied by the Mayor as well as by transferring to the General Fund all of the revenues anticipated from the push cart vendors and Golden Gate Park tennis fees.

Increase Stadium Fund transfer to General Fund ($500,000). This increase would accelerate the repayment of the General Fund loan made to the renovation of Candlestick Park. Approximately $2 million would remain to repay.

Ms. Burns explained that these recommendations were very difficult for her to make and she wished she was not in the position to have to make these choices.

Carol Hotnit-Callen, representing Coleman Advocates for Children and Youth, discussed the importance of the marketing division because the Department needs to generate additional funds, particularly in light of the decreasing General Fund support. She stated that the Department lacked vision. She felt that the focus should be on marketing the department, to be more effective in the programs it offers.

Linda Ma, explained that she has been with the Department for 22-1/2 years. Ms. Ma worked in the Recreation Division for 20 years and two years ago assumed a position in the Marketing Division because she felt there was a need to promote the Department services and to generate funding sources. She explained that there is a customer service need which does not necessarily generate money but informs the public on how to maximize departmental services. She felt that the Marketing Division should not be completely eliminated because the foundation had been laid and needed to continue.

13. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
1991-1992 BUDGET REDUCTIONS (Continued)

Commissioner Eickman stated that a number of important administrative positions are being eliminated this year because in the last few years positions have been added rather than reduced. He stated that other positions would have to be eliminated to retain the administrative positions and that there has been a number of reductions in the park division in the past years. He noted that approval may not be granted to transfer funding of the sodding crew to the Candlestick Park Fund which would then require additional reductions. He felt the proposal was acceptable because every division of the Department had been reduced.

Commissioner McAteer stated that she found the proposed reductions very agonizing particularly because City Hall has not made reductions. She wanted to heard from the division managers before voting.

President O'Connor explained that these recommendations were extraordinarily difficult for the General Manager to make and that nobody wanted to see staff reductions.

Superintendent of Parks, Barney Barron, stated that this is a very difficult time and that he has not forgotten the cuts taken by his Division in past years. He explained that the elimination of five gardener positions in neighborhood parks will result in a reduction of services and this point can no longer be disregarded. He was pleased with the concept to shift funding from the General Fund to Candlestick Park. If this concept was turned down, the Park Division, once again, would bear the brunt of the cuts. If the shift in funding was denied he urged that the Commission review the budget reductions again to see if the cuts could be more equally distributed among the divisions in the Department.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, stated that cutbacks are very unpleasant and something he did not want to do. He felt the Recreation Division was already understaffed but understood that all divisions needed to be reduced. He appreciated that the reductions made for his division were vacant slots and that even though these positions are much needed, presently they were unfilled. He hoped that there would be no further cuts.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, discussed the elimination of his position and its effect on himself and the Department. He spoke of his tenure with the City, and how the deficit will force the Department to re-prioritize its services. Mr. Prindle gave an overview of the 1983 reorganization of the finance/administrative services of the Department to achieve better and effective management and revenue producing potential. He detailed the importance of the Department to generate revenue because of its decreasing General Fund support and noted that he had developed many concepts to generate revenues for the Department.

13. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
1991-1992 BUDGET REDUCTIONS (Continued)

(Statement of Ernie Prindle, Continued)

Mr. Prindle then discussed the marketing divisions efforts and accomplishments, detailing Japanese Tea Garden and Coit Tower revenue records and emphasized the importance to continue to support the marketing efforts to publicize the Department's revenue-generating facilities. He referenced positive statements by the General Manager regarding the marketing division. He stated that the marketing division was eliminated because revenues were below projected budget estimates for the Japanese Tea Garden and Coit Tower.

Mr. Prindle also discussed his concerns regarding Department property leases, and highlighted areas of concern regarding the recently negotiated agreements with the Giants, including the lease amendment, the parking lot agreement and scoreboard operating agreement. He stated that he was forbidden from participating in the negotiations with the Giants which resulted in a significant financial loss to the Department and to the City. He also raised concern regarding the proposal to place a merchandise concession in Union Square, and the St. Francis Yacht Club lease negotiations.

Mr. Prindle felt he should have been involved in the budgetary discussions and decisions to a greater degree and stated that an option was presented to continue funding for his position. He further stated that the budget proposal presented today does not consider the additional revenue items (golf, reservation, athletic, and tennis fees) slated for discussion later in the agenda. He submitted a list of recommendations for Department operations and services. He concluded his statement by commenting that he enjoyed his years with the Department and worked to improve the quality of services rendered to San Franciscans.

4:15 p.m. Commissioner Guggenhime arrived at the meeting.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that the reductions made were not easy choices. All three positions proposed for eliminations are filled, one of them is a very long standing employee with the Department. Deletion of the head accountant will strap the accounting section and the in-house computer programming section will be reduced by one-third.

Zoo Director, David Anderson, stated that this was an unpleasant task and that tough choices had to be made. He felt the Zoo could handle the loss although it would be difficult.

Commissioner Chan stated that he has been an accountant for over 25 years and has been through a few cuts, none of which were pleasant. He felt the Commission must rely on the General Manager's recommendations on where to make reductions and still maintain an acceptable level of service. He stated that he was sure the General Manger struggled in making these recommendations. He explained that as much as he understood Mr. Prindle's appeal, promotional programs and marketing divisions are usually the first areas reduced when companies scale back.

13. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
1991-1992 BUDGET REDUCTIONS (Continued)

Commissioner Ruiz agreed with the comments made by his fellow commissioners. He stated that it was a very difficult decision but he must look closely at the recommendations made by the General Manager. He stated that his primary concern was to the public and that the recommendations were difficult but fair. Although there will be a significant impact on the services offered the burden is shared by all divisions.

Commissioner McAteer stated that she found it too painful to vote.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16013

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the budget reductions in the 1991-92 base budget request submitted to the Mayor.

ACTION: Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Eickman, Guggenhime, O'Connor, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioner McAteer
Absent: Commissioner Orr

14. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
GOLF COURSE FEES

Approval to increase the golf fees at Sharp Park, Harding Park, Lincoln Park, Fleming and Golden Gate Park Golf Courses, effective 7/1/91.

Golf Director, Bob Killian, explained that in order to finance capital improvements at the golf courses, the following golf fees were proposed:

°The Standard rate for 18 holes on weekdays, weekends and holidays at Harding Park, Lincoln Park and Sharp Park will be increased by $2.00.

°The Back Nine and Twilight rate at Harding Park, Lincoln Park, and Sharp Park will be increased by $1.00.

°The Standard rate for nine holes on weekdays, weekends and holidays at Fleming Golf Course will be raised $2.00.

°The Standard rate for nine holes on weekdays, weekends and holidays at Golden Gate Golf Course will be raised $1.00.

These rates will not affect residents, seniors or juniors. The projected revenue is $371,000. It is further proposed that the following amendment be made in the resident card program: The resident card now good for a two-year period for twenty dollars ($20.00) shall be offered at the same price but made renewable on a yearly basis. He recommended approval of these fees.

14. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
GOLF COURSE FEES (Continued)

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question, Mr. Killian stated that non-residents make up over 30,000 rounds.

In response to Commissioner Eickman's question, Mr. Killian explained that these rates will place San Francisco in the mid-range as compared to other Bay Area municipal courses.

In response to Commissioner Ruiz's question, **General Manager, Mary E. Burns,** explained that the Commission conceptually approved a golf fee increase on 1/22/91 and that the budget package needed to be submitted now.

Joan Lantz, representing the Sharp Park Golf Course, was not opposed to the fees with the exception of the increase to the back nine fee. Sharp Park Golf Course only has 8 holes and she has already noticed a drop off in play in the back nine from the last increase. She wanted to review the number of rounds, every ninety days, for the back nine fee for her course.

Mr. Killian stated that if there was a considerable drop off in Sharp Park's back nine staff would reconsider that particular rate at a later date.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16014

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase in the golf fees at Sharp Park, Harding Park, Lincoln Park, Fleming and Golden Gate Park Golf Courses, effective 7/1/91, as outlined below:

	Current Weekday	Approved Weekday	Current Wknd/Hol	Approved Wknd/Hol
		HARDING		
Standard	$15.00	$17.00	$20.00	$22.00
Resident	$12.00	12.00	$15.00	15.00
Senior	$ 8.00	8.00	$13.00	13.00
Junior	$ 7.00	7.00	$13.00	13.00
Sr. After 1p.m.	$ 6.00	6.00	n/a	n/a
Back Nine	$ 7.00	8.00	$10.00	11.00
Twilight *	$ 8.00	9.00	$10.00	11.00
Tournament Fee	$ 5.00	5.00	$ 5.00	5.00
		LINCOLN		
Standard	$13.00	$15.00	$17.00	$19.00
Resident	10.00	$10.00	13.00	$13.00
Senior	7.00	$ 7.00	12.00	$12.00
Junior	6.00	$ 6.00	11.00	$11.00
Sr. After 1 p.m.	6.00	$ 6.00	n/a	n/a
Back Nine	6.00	$ 7.00	9.00	$10.00
Twilight *	7.00	$ 8.00	9 00	$10.00
Tournament	5.00	$ 5.00	5.00	$ 5.00

14. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
GOLF COURSE FEES (Continued)

RES. NO. 16014
(Continued)

	Current Weekday	Approved Weekday	Current Wknd/Hol	Approved Wknd/Hol
		SHARP		
Standard	$13.00	$ 15.00	$17.00	$19.00
Resident	10.00	$ 10.00	13.00	$13.00
Senior	7.00	$ 7.00	12.00	$12.00
Junior	6.00	$ 6.00	11.00	$11.00
Sr. After 1 p.m.	6.00	$ 6.00	n/a	n/a
Back Nine	6.00	$ 7.00	9.00	$10.00
Twilight *	7.00	$ 8.00	9.00	$10.00
Tournament Fee	5.00	$ 5.00	5.00	$ 5.00
		FLEMING		
Standard	$ 7.00	$ 9.00	$ 8.00	$10.00
Resident	5.00	$ 5.00	6.00	$ 6.00
Senior	4.00	$ 4.00	6.00	$ 6.00
Junior	3.00	$ 3.00	5.00	$ 5.00
Tournament Fee	3.00	$ 3.00	3.00	$ 3.00
		GOLDEN GATE		
Standard	$ 5.00	$ 6.00	$ 8.00	$ 9.00
Resident	4.00	$ 4.00	6.00	$ 6.00
Senior	3.00	$ 3.00	5.00	$ 5.00
Junior	2.00	$ 2.00	2.00	$ 2.00

* 2:00 pm Pacific Standard Time
4:00 pm Pacific Daylight Savings Time

Resident card is $20.00 To qualify for any resident, senior or junior rate, a resident card must be purchased annually.

15. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
ADVANCED REGISTRATION
SELECTED GOLF COURSES

Consideration to implement an advanced registration starting time program at selected golf courses, effective 7/1/91.

Sales and Accounts Manager, Linda Ma, explained that as part of the Department's marketing efforts, areas were explored to maximize use of Department facilities. She discovered, particularly in the tour and travel industry, an interest to develop a golf package for underused tee times at the Department golf courses. During the hours of 12:00 noon to 3:30 p.m. there are under-utilized tee times.

In response to President O'Connor's question, Ms. Ma explained that she contacted the pro shop to ascertain the underutilized and slack starting times.

15. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
ADVANCED REGISTRATION
SELECTED GOLF COURSES (Continued)

Ms. Ma stated that this package will not displace residents. The proposed package is for Lincoln, Harding and Sharp Park, from Monday through Friday, noon to 3:30 p.m., limited for 10 tee times. The primary focus will be to target the travel industry. Since this is a new program if 10% of the tee time slots were sold it would generate $48,360. The program will be evaluated after a six month trial period.

Ms. Burns explained that this is one of the revenue items discussed with the Mayor's Office but since it has not been in place it cannot be certified as a source of revenue by the Controller.

Alexander Zubak, representing the Northern California Concierge Association, explained that the Marketing Division has been very effective in working with the Association. He explained that in the 4 and 5 star hotels there are many tourists who are interested in playing golf and do not care about the cost. He has had a problem being able to get tourists starting times on the municipal courses. The Concierge Association will market the golf package for the Department and he was very enthusiastic about the program.

In response to Commissioner McAteer's question, Mr. Killian explained that the pro shop will furnish golf clubs for the tourists.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16015

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby implements an advanced registration starting time program at Lincoln, Harding and Sharp Park Golf Courses, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 12:00 Noon to 3:30 p.m, effective 5/1/91, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this program shall be evaluated in six months and a report given to the Commission on the success of the program.

16. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
RECREATION FACILITY RENTALS/ATHLETIC PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS
FEE INCREASES

Approval to increase the fees for recreation facility rentals and permit and reservation fees, effective 7/1/91.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that the Recreation Division is proposing across the board fee increases for permits and reservations and athletic field permit and reservation fees. All of the fees were last increased in 1988, with the exception of the Stern Grove Clubhouse which was increased last year. He felt that the Stern Grove fee is still within reason given the location and the amenities of the park. The fee at the Sharon Arts Studio is for rental of the building not for class programs. These fees should generate approximately $100,000 in revenues for the Department.

16. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
RECREATION FACILITY RENTALS/ATHLETIC PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS
FEE INCREASES (Continued)

In response to Commissioner McAteer's question, Mr. Robinson explained that a performance bond is required for rental of the property and is returned provided the facility is clean.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16016

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase in the fees for recreation facility rentals and permit and reservation fees, effective 7/1/91, as follows:.

STERN GROVE CLUBHOUSE:
.....$300 for 6 hours (Weekdays)
.....$400 for 6 hours (Friday nights, Saturdays, Sundays, & Holidays)
SHARON ARTS STUDIO.....$300 for 6 hours
HARVEY MILK RECREATIONAL ARTS BUILDING.....$175 for 6 hours
OUTDOOR EVENTS.....$ 75 First 2 hours
.....$ 25 each additional hour
FAMILY OR SMALL GROUP PICNICS.....$ 25
PICNICS: ASSOCIATIONS/NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS...$ 50
COMPANY PICNICS.....$125
COMMUNITY FESTIVALS: AMATEUR PRODUCTIONS.....$300
COMMERCIAL EVENTS (Less than 500 people).....$600
PIONEER LOG CABIN PICNIC AREA.....$ 50
WEDDINGS.....$125
WEDDINGS - PRIME LOCATIONS.....$225

ATHLETIC FIELD USE PERMITS
1. Single Use Permits
Lighted Field.....$ 7
Non-lighted Class A.....$ 5
Non-lighted Class B.....$ 4
2. Multiple Reservations (per play period)
Lighted Field.....$ 12
Non-lighted Class A.....$ 8
Non-lighted Class B.....$ 7
3. Tournament Surcharge Per field/Per day.....$ 25
4. Weekend Evenings Per hour (2 hour minimum)...$ 25
5. Field Lining Fee
Softball/Baseball.....$ 5
Soccer/Rugby, etc.....$ 15
SCHEDULING FEE
Leagues/Tournaments (Each game over 25 games$ .60
NON PROFIT YOUTH ACTIVITIES .....No Charge
ATHLETIC DAY CAMP (2 Week Sessions)
Regular Camp Hours.....$ 65
After Camp Care.....$ 20

16. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
RECREATION FACILITY RENTALS/ATHLETIC PERMITS AND RESERVATIONS
FEE INCREASES (Continued)

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Note for the Record:
After the initial vote was taken Mr. Robinson informed the Commission that since the Athletic Day Camp brochure had already been printed the after camp care rate of $30 should not be instituted as the brochure quotes a $20 rate. Therefore the Commission rescinded its previous vote and adopted the Resolution as shown above with the requested modification.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the Commission rescinded its vote. On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the Commission adopted Res. No. 16016.

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17. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
TENNIS COURTS
DAILY USE FEE

Approval to implement a daily use fee for the Golden Gate Park Tennis Courts, effective 7/1/91.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that this is a clarification of a previously adopted Commission resolution. He presented the minutes of the 5/24/88 meeting where staff recommended and the Commission approved a use fee for Golden Gate Park Tennis courts. He accepted the responsibility for not implementing the daily use fee. The reservation fee was put into effect but staff has never charged for usage of the tennis courts. The Controller's Audit Division brought this fact to his attention and estimated that approximately $25,000-$28,000 of additional revenue could be generated by this fee.

Dwight Benina, spoke in opposition to use fees explaining that playing tennis is a quiet art and part of the social behavior should allow people to play when they so desire. He felt that implementation of this fee may result in a drop in use. He offered as an alternative, a snack bar, to generate revenue rather than a daily use fee.

Mr. Robinson explained that the water was turned off in the restroom area because people were using the shower facility for long periods of time and there was not staff to monitor usage.

Commissioner Guggenhime asked if a snack shop was ever contemplated. Ms. Burns explained that perhaps a push cart vendor could be placed there.

Commissioner Eickman noted that the Golden Gate Park tennis court area is the only departmental tennis court area which charges a fee; all other courts are free of charge.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16017

RESOLVED, That this Commission reaffirms the action taken at 5/24/88 hearing to institute a daily use fee at tennis courts in Golden Gate Park.

18. SAN FRANCISCO MUNICIPAL CODE AMENDMENT RELATING TO STADIUM FUND

Consideration to amend Part III (Section 841) of the Municipal Code relating to the Stadium Operator Admission Tax Fund.

ACTION: This item was removed from the Calendar.

19. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Peter Arkes, stated that he was still very interested in having a Farmer's Market in Golden Gate Park Panhandle on a temporary basis. He explained that there is much interest and that he surveyed the Panhandle area and 80% of the neighbors were in favor of the market. He also was willing to pay a permit fee to the Department of perhaps $10,000 a year.

Ms. Burns explained that this matter was previously reviewed by the Parks and Planning Committee. In light of the Charitable Solicitors issue, the City Attorney has advised that the use of park land for this purpose should not be entertained.

Wendy Ware, representing the Dolphin Seals Training Group, stated that group of parents who have children in swimming clubs, have asked that a public hearing be scheduled to discuss the safety of starting blocks at the City's swimming pools and whether or not they should be re-installed in the pools. She requested that the Commission ask the City Attorney for opinion on this issue.

Ms. Burns asked Ms. Ware to work with the Recreation Division to resolve this issue.

20. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President O'Connor commented on the difficulty of the budget decision and about the many mis-statements appearing in press reports.

21. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of March 6, 1991
Recreation Program Committee Meeting of March 27, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of April 1, 1991
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of April 4, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of April 4, 1991

22. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, the meeting was adjourned with best wishes to Jim Rogers, Assistant Superintendent for Golden Gate Park who is on leave due to illness.

There being no further business, the 658th Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

San Francisco, California
May 2, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

May 2, 1991 - 1:00 P.M.
Room 228 City Hall

The Special meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, May 2, 1991, at 1:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President (noted present at 1:15 p.m.)
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime (noted present at 1:10 p.m.)
Commissioner Frances McAteer
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. BLACK AND WHITE BALL
CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
APPEAL OF DENIAL OF PERMIT

Appeal of the denial of the permit request to have amplified sound beyond 10:00 p.m. at Civic Center Plaza in conjunction with the Black and White Ball to be held on Friday, May 10, 1991.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that the Black and White Ball is appealing a denial of a permit by staff for use of Civic Center Plaza. Staff denied the request relating to amplified sound in the Plaza. The request to tent the fountain area, the construction of a stage for dancing over the fountain area have been approved by staff with certain restrictions to be included in the permit. The current Permit and Reservation Policy states that amplified sound is allowed on a weekday for two hours between 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

2. **BLACK AND WHITE BALL**
CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
APPEAL OF DENIAL OF PERMIT (Continued)

Statement of Mr. Robinson (Continued)

Mr. Robinson felt that the intent of the policy is to minimize noise in the neighborhood after 10:00 p.m. He felt that guidelines and restrictions could be developed for an event in Civic Center Plaza after 10:00 p.m. which maintain the Commission's desire to reduce noise for the adjacent neighbors. Staff has met extensively with the event promoters, sound experts and have proposed that six regulations be imposed to reduce and severely restrict amplified sound.

Mr. Robinson further explained that because of this issue, it is now apparent that the use of amplified sound in Civic Center Plaza needed to be reviewed. Since the Plaza is somewhat isolated and considered a unique facility, he requested authorization to conduct an extensive investigation and survey of the amplified sound policy at the Plaza and to make recommendations to the Commission. Staff has encountered problems with requests to conduct specific activities at the Plaza which were not permitted because of the existing policy.

Rita Barella, representing the Black and White Ball, explained that due to the earthquake damage in City Hall the venue for one of the Ball events had to be changed. This is the first year that the Symphony finds itself with an operating deficit and is therefore extremely dependent on this fundraising event. This year two venues have been added to the Ball, the Opera House and Civic Center Plaza. Ms. Barella contacted the Department in October 1990, and explained that she wanted to tent Civic Center Plaza. She was directed to a staff member and was informed that it would be impossible to tent the Plaza because the surface cannot be staked. She then set forth to produce an event in the fountain area and was unaware of the amplified sound restriction. She signed contracts for tenting, lighting, sound, fencing and booked a Blues artist. She has been working closely with many City agencies for this event and asked for the Commission's cooperation. She explained that they have done everything within their power to minimize the amplified sound at Civic Center Plaza by ordering special laminated tent walls, special sound repeaters, a sound mix operator who can control the sound level, and to distribute flyers notifying the neighborhood regarding the Ball.

Mr. Suttleman, Production Manager for the Black and White Ball, stated that he believed the output of sound into the Civic Center Plaza area could be controlled at an acceptable level. A sound design has been instituted for the structure, with a series of delays to produce sound closer to the people. He stated that they were trying to be sensitive to the Commission's stipulations.

Mr. Robinson clarified the point that staff is developing the permit process so that people will be aware of the restrictions and guidelines when applying for a permit. He further stated that adoption of this proposal will allow other events to take place if the same standards are met.

2. BLACK AND WHITE BALL
CIVIC CENTER PLAZA
APPEAL OF DENIAL OF PERMIT (Continued)

In response to Commissioner Chan's query, Mr. Robinson stated that the regulations will reduce the level of amplified sound and that the sound level will be kept below 80 decibels outside of the tent. The sound level will be monitored by the Police Department.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16018

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the permit request from the Black and White Ball to have amplified sound from 10:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. at Civic Center Plaza in conjunction with the Black and White Ball to be held on Friday, May 10, 1991 with the following conditions:

1. All amplified sound will be contained within a structure.

2. Double thick tent walls will be used to contain as much sound as possible.

3. A repeater system of amplification will be used to significantly reduce the volume level of all sound reproduction.

4. A sound mixer will be used to allow individual control of each speaker in order to insure that the sound level outside the structure will not exceed 80 decibels at any time.

5. All speakers will be directed toward the Larkin Street entrance to minimize sound escaping the structure.

6. All speakers will be directed down into the crowd to take as much advantage as possible of the sound-absorbing properties of the audience.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That staff is directed to review the section relating to amplified sound at Civic Center Plaza and to report its findings to the Commission.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Doug Morrison, spoke about the waiting list at Golden Gate Park riding academy. He addressed the Commission in December on this matter and has not witnessed any progress on this issue. The Stable is still renting stalls on a month-to-month basis and since he is first on the waiting list he wanted the issue addressed. He stated that the lessee acted in an inappropriate manner and asked the Commission to intervene on this matter because it is fair and right to do so.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT (Continued)

Peter Desmond, explained that he has written many letters and received no response from the Department or Commission. He stated that he thought staff was postponing acting on this matter with the hope that it will diminish. He stated that this controversial matter needed to be addressed and referenced one of his letters which stated, in part, "...There are four persons who bypassed the list who have two horses each at the Golden Gate Park Riding Stables....we are truly sorry that you would not meet with us...that we may present with you many, many additional examples of documented chicanery for your own study and verification."

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that staff has met with the City Attorney's Office to develop a series of options to address the waiting list issue. Mr. Prindle is working on this matter and has met with the concessionaire. She fully expected that the matter would be calendared for the June Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee meeting.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

San Francisco, California
May 2, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION
AND
CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

May 2, 1991 - 1:30 P.M.
Room 282 City Hall

The Special meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission and City Planning Commission was called to order on Thursday, May 2, 1991, at 2:10 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor and President Wayne Hu.

Note for the Record:
At the request of the City Attorney's Office, the Commission convened in Executive Session from 1:30 p.m. to 2:10 p.m. to discuss possible litigation matters concerning potential open space acquisitions. The Executive Session was calendared and noticed on the City Planning Commission agenda.

1. ROLL CALL

Recreation and Park Commission	City Planning Commission
Present:	Present:
Connie O'Connor, President	Wayne Jackson Hu, President
Keith Eickman, President	Edward Sewell, Vice President
Sidney Chan	Susan J. Bierman
Richard Guggenhime	Romaine Boldridge (representing Thomas J. Elzey)
Frances McAteer	Douglas Engmann
Trent Orr	Norman Karasick (representing Rudolf Nothenberg)
Santiago Ruiz	James Morales

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City Planning and Recreation and Park Commissions

2. **PARK AND OPEN SPACE FUND**
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1991-92

Upon advise from the City Attorney, President Hu read the following statement:

"Under the City's Charter, the City Planning Commission, in conjunction with the Recreation and Park Commission, is responsible for acquisition of open space. The Charter and the Planning Code also require that the Planning Commission review conditional use permits. When the Planning Commission functions as a joint Commission with the Recreation and Park Commission to acquire property for open space this Commission does not and will not take into consideration the fact that the owner of the property may be seeking a land use approval form the Commission."

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, highlighted the accomplishments of the current year's program as the result of many years of planning.

Acquisition

°4 of the 5 lots comprising the Rock Outcropping have been acquired and are owned by the City
°India Basin Shoreline park - all of the properties are under City ownership and the planning process for the development of this park is underway.

Design and Development of New Properties

°Chinatown Park (Cathay Morturary site) will be acquired in 1993 but the planning process has started so that upon acquisition construction can begin immediately.
°Internal demolition of the new Tenderloin Playground on Ellis Street has begun and a design has been completed by the Bureau of Architecture with the intent that the playground will be completed in 1992.
°An architect has been identified for the Richmond Recreation Center (Sutro Annex) and the design work will begin shortly.

Renovation

°Fulton Clubhouse was renovated this past year

The Office of Neighborhood Services, a one-person office, mandated by Proposition E (passed by the electorate in 1988), to increase volunteer and community support for parks and open space, has completed 3 major volunteer operations at Rolph Nicol Park, Seward Street, and Noe Courts. This Office has also received a grant to supplement open space funding for Potrero Hill.

Mr. Arnold outlined the process followed by the Open Space Advisory Committee to develop the funding allocations and recommendations. The anticipated revenues for the 1991-92 Open Space Program are $15,000,000. $4,400,000 previously allocated for special litigation expenses to acquire specific properties is no longer required and has increased the 1991-92 budget to $19,400,000.

Mr. Arnold explained the Charter sections which mandate that a portion of the Open Space Fund be allocated under a designated formula. He outlined the proposed recommendations for the 1991-92 Open Space Program:

2. PARK AND OPEN SPACE FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1991-92 (Continued)

- Afterschool Program (12% of Open Space Program Fund)
- Acquisition and Development (29.5% of Open Space Program Fund)
- Renovation (14.5% of Open Space Program Fund)
- Planning and Administration (4% of Open Space Program Fund)
- Maintenance of Previously Acquired Open Space (40% of Program Fund)

Mr. Arnold then briefly summarized the specific projects and elements of the 1991-92 Open Space Program:

Acquisition and Development $8,828,000	
Tenderloin Playground	$ 750,000
South of Market Park	2,100,000
Natural Areas Banking	2,100,000
Parcel 4 Acquisition	1,500,000
Richmond Recreation Center	1,000,000
Washington-Hyde Park	300,000
Urban Forestry	250,000
Chinatown Park	500,000
Transportation Program	100,000
City Attorney	120,000*
Real Estate	108,000*

* Based on current expenditures plus 5% for inflation.

Mr. Arnold explained that the Natural Areas Banking category sets aside funding to acquire significant natural areas in the City that have not been developed. The Advisory Committee has discussed 5 properties for possible future acquisition, one of which is the Rock Outcropping. The Parcel 4 Acquisition category sets aside funding should the property become available for sale.

Renovation $2,100,000	
King Pool Entry way	$ 150,000
Upper Noe Bleachers	50,000
Rolph Nicol Park	30,000
Kids-gym (equipment)	25,000
Community Gardens	50,000
Cow Hollow	100,000
Glen Canyon Masterplan	80,000
Mini Park Rehabilitation	150,000
Mission Pool Entrance	200,000
Balboa Park Restrooms	350,000
Balboa Park Lighting	**
Randall Museum Lobby Exhibits	40,000
Security Lighting	75,000
Remodeling Crew	300,000
Fencing	95,000
Portable Restrooms	50,000
Hazardous Materials Abatement	100,000
Hilltop Development	20,000
Lang Field Lighting	50,000
Chinese & Folsom Playgrounds Design	50,000
Federal Office Bldg. Playground	60,000
Field Lighting	75,000

**Reallocation from existing project. No new funding required.

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2. PARK AND OPEN SPACE FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1991-92 (Continued)

Planning and Administration $666,000

$ 220,000	Permanent Salaries (Director of Neighborhood Services, Planner III, Administrative Asst., Senior Accountant, Secretary)
63,000	Fringe Benefits
10,000	Temporary Salaries
24,000	Environmental Consultant
200,000	Completion of Golden Gate Park Master Plan
100,000	Significant Natural Areas Management Plan
15,000	Misc. Services (translations, brochures, graphics, printing)
1,000	Auto Mileage
5,500	Materials and Supplies
5,000	Equipment (computer/printer for Neighborhood Services Office)
22,500	Permits and work orders to other departments

Maintenance of Previously Acquired Open Space $6,000,000 (40%)

City Planning Director, Dean Macris, explained that his staff was asking Recreation and Park to study the specific natural areas further because they have not had an opportunity to comment on them. He stated that the Commissions are not approving any specific site and that each site will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis at a later date.

Public Testimony

Andy Solow, representing a group of people who live near Folsom Street Playground, asked that the portable restrooms not be placed at the playground without adequate staffing because placement of the restrooms invite additional problems.

Ronald Avers, discussed the value of open space for the citizenry and explained that most children learn about nature from books instead of open space areas.

Jim Lazarus, President of the Planning Association of the Richmond, spoke in favor of banking funding for the Richmond Recreation Center. He also stated that the Association endorses acquisition of Parcel 4.

William Casey, a resident of the Bayview Hunters Point area, supported the proposed development on Bayview Hill and the construction of single family homes.

Bruce Forill, representing the Forest Hills Association, spoke in support of acquisition of Hawk Hill, 3.5 acres of natural sand dune. He asked that this property be given priority status for acquisition.

Cheryl Arnold, stated that the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA) supports the acquisition of Parcel 4 and will maintain the land once it is acquired for open space. She summarized a letter from Amy Meyer of People for Golden Gate National Recreation Area, which urged the acquisition of Parcel 4, and explained that the GGNRA is developing a project to rehabilitate the ecosystems of the 1.9 acres of Parcel 4.

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2. PARK AND OPEN SPACE FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1991-92 (Continued)

Public Testimony (Continued)

Jeff Bullot, an attorney for the owner of the area designated as Hawk Hill, encouraged the Commissions to adopt an amendment to the Open Space Element of the Master Plan which defines criteria to determine which natural open space areas are proper, provide guidelines for prioritizing the proposed sites and to notice any landowner of the proposed acquisition. He also urged the Commissions to consider a grandfather clause to protect landowners who are already in the process of developing properties.

Nan Maguire, representing S.F. Beautiful, commended the implementation of the Office of Neighborhood Services. She discussed a specific instance at North Beach Playground where graffiti had been painted over by the Department before the volunteers could perform the task. She thought that there should be better volunteer coordination with the Department to fully utilize community support.

Timothy Tracy, representing the Forest Hill Association, endorsed the acquisition of Hawk Hill and asked that it be given higher priority because it is one of the few remaining natural areas.

Jeannette, a resident of Bayview Hunters Point, read a letter from Dr. Arthur Coleman opposing any portion of Bayview Hill as open space because the community is in dire need of additional affordable housing.

Andy Berow, who is involved in real estate in the Bayview/Visitation Valley area, stated that there was a need for more housing in the Bayview area and that the community should dictate its needs rather than others.

Zack Cowan, representing the Joint Open Space Committee, stated that this year's proposal was very good even though he had not reviewed the General Manager's report. He was pleased that funding was allocated for natural areas and for the transportation program. He did not concur with placing City Attorney and Real Estate charges under the Acquisition and Development category and with the money allocated for the Richmond Recreation Center.

Wayne Kim, supported the acquisition of Parcel 4 for open space because it marks the entrance to the City and so that citizens and visitors can continue to enjoy this piece of open space.

Vicky Oppenheim, chairperson of the Committee for preservation of Glen Canyon, thanked the Committee for allocating funding for natural areas. She hoped that Cow Hollow could be prioritized for acquisition.

Deborah Erickson, a homeowner near Bush/Broderick Mini Park, was present to make sure that the funding allocation for security lighting and fencing at this park be implemented to minimize crime.

Shamus Brady, spoke on behalf of habitat preservation, stating that rising land costs are forcing people to leave the City. He urged that housing be preserved in the Bayview District because it is the one area in the City where there is affordable housing for middle income families.

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2. PARK AND OPEN SPACE FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1991-92 (Continued)

Public Testimony

Brian Barber, spoke in support of the Bayview Hill housing project because it is affordable housing and a chance for persons in the community to purchase single family dwellings. He urged that the development proceed.

Harvey Matthews, spoke in favor of building homes on Bayview Hill. He stated that additional open space is not needed on Bayview Hill because of the number of open spaces in the nearby area including McLaren Park, Candlestick Park State Park, Silver Terrace, etc.

Rev. Milton H. Williams, opposed any additional open space in the Bayview Hunters Point areas because people are moving out of the City due to the housing costs. He stated that seniors and youth live in his community and are overlooked. He explained that the City needed to provide more opportunity for people to remain in the Bayview.

Marilyn Williams, representing seniors of Bayview Hunters Point, read a letter from Dr. George W. Davis stating that the Bayview Hunters Point has more than its share of open space. Development of the Bayview Hill area is the solution to positive growth for Bayview Hunters Point.

Oberling Hill, a resident of Bayview Hunters Point, read a letter from Dr. Cecil Churchwill, expressing support for a nursing home in the Bayview Community to provide care for seniors. (Then, Ms. Kathy Kaplan explained that Ms. Hill was discussing the nursing home issue as part of the proposed Bayview Hill development project.)

Lottie Mayfield, representing Bayview Merchants and Bayview Hunters Point Senior Center stated that there was not a need for additional open space on Bayview Hill but rather a need for more housing. She submitted a photograph and highlighted the open space areas in the Bayview.

John O'Brien, a homeless activist, spoke as an outreach worker for San Franciscans for Welfare Reform, as a member of Mental Health Advisory Board and as a member of the Homeless Task Force. He discussed his new initiative for the homeless entrepreneurship project.

Joe O'Donahue, of Residential Builders, stated that he came from Ireland, a country full of open space. He talked about Bayview Hill and the need for more jobs and construction projects. He stated that the Commissions were not balancing the needs of the City because people were being driven from the City.

3:35 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. the Commissions recessed. Commissioners Chan, Guggenhime, and O'Connor left the meeting at this time.

Colleen McHale, a resident of Bayview Hunters Point, endorsed further development of the neighborhood and wanted more homes for the area. She explained that housing was needed.

2. PARK AND OPEN SPACE FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1991-92 (Continued)

Public Testimony

Lucy McBride, spoke on behalf of the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners, and thanked the Commissions for its continuing support of community gardens in the City and for community development. She explained that Open Space funding enables SLUG to provide horticultural education and programs and to implement improvement projects.

Denhart Queen, representing the Small Business Development Corporation, stated that there are many other considerations besides open space that need to be analyzed. He suggested that the Commissions prepare an inventory detailing the available open space, proposed open space, and to note the square footage, location, use of land, improvements and amenities that have been made to the area, yearly cost to maintain the area, profile of the users, etc.

Matt Ettinger, representing the Bayview Hill Neighborhood Association, asked for a status report on the King Pool restrooms which were allocated through the Open Space Program in 1990-91. He was pleased that money was set aside for natural areas and hoped that it will be used to purchase portions of Bayview Hill. He explained that the Bayview Hill developer reported that the housing site is approximately 30 acres and can accommodate senior housing and open space to compliment each other.

Pamela Sims, a resident of Bayview Hunters Point, stated that it is important to recognize the need for comprehensive planning and to look at the issues of open space, housing, and community facilities for the overall community. Bayview Hill, in particular, is one of the last large residentially zoned parcels in the City and the developer needed to be encouraged to listen to the needs of the community. She wanted Bayview Hill to be removed from the natural areas list.

Steve Atkinson, appearing on behalf of Mr. Donnelly, the sponsor of the Bayview Project stated that it was difficult to understand why the area meets the criteria for acquisition since it was extensively cleared and graded 30 years ago. The site has been designated for housing and given its marginal natural value he felt that Lot 38 should be removed from acquisition list or scaled back. He requested that the Master Plan amendment include a requirement that a project sponsor be able to obtain, upon request, a determination as to what the City wants to acquire and that the acquisition be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Harold Wright, representing the Forest Hills Association, was present to endorse the acquisition of Hawk Hill. He discussed the fact that the Association offers an urban forest management program for Forest Hills and is quite concerned about the environment. He asked that Hawk Hill be given a higher priority because of its unique natural area and that it be acquired as soon as possible.

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2. **PARK AND OPEN SPACE FUND**
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1991-92 (Continued)

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that the Bayview Park restroom project is now underway within the Bureau of Architecture.

Steven Shotland, representing the Department of City Planning, outlined the program elements and policies of the Open Space Program which included:

°Make Better Use of Existing Facilities
°Develop and maintain a diversified and balanced system of high quality public open space
°Acquire Additional Open Space for Public Use
°Acquire and develop new public open space in existing residential neighborhoods, giving priority to areas which are most deficient in open space

Mr. Shotland explained that additional analysis is required for some of the identified natural area sites and that some of the sites have not been identified in Map 4 of the City-wide Recreation and Open Space Fund. He stated that Recreation and Park has agreed that if they proceed to acquire any site it will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Commissioner Engmann stated that the Joint Commissions are approving the budget and he did not want to identify specific natural area sites in the budget, particularly those that might conflict with other designated uses in the Master Plan. He suggested that the funding be approved for natural areas banking without mention of any particular site.

Dean Macris, Director of City Planning, stated that the only reference of specific sites is found on Page 16 and 6 of the General Manager's Report. The sentence which identifies the potential sites could be deleted although the wording in the report only states "were discussed".

Commissioner Eickman stated that the identified natural areas are the recommendations of the Open Space Advisory Committee and should be considered.

Ms. Learner explained that if a particular site was selected for acquisition it would have to be reviewed and approved by the Commissions. Approval would allow staff to pursue and investigate potential sites and, should a site become available, purchase it in a timely fashion.

A discussion ensued regarding the merits and disadvantages of inclusion of the natural area sites as identified in the General Manager's report and whether the sites should remain in the report.

In response to Commissioner Engmann's question regarding the allocations for City Attorney and Real Estate charges listed under Acquisition and Development, Ms. Learner explained that in the course of acquiring property staff is required to work with the City Attorney and Real Estate Department, acting as the City's agent, to investigate the purchase of property, prepare legal documents, and to negotiate with the property owners, etc. Therefore, these costs are are part of the services of the Acquisition and Development category.

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2. PARK AND OPEN SPACE FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1991-92 (Continued)

Commissioner Engmann stated that the City Planing Commission does not review a line item budget for the $6,000,000 Maintenance and Administration category. In response to his query, Ms. Learner explained that the Recreation and Park Commission reviews a line item budget for this program as part of its budgetary process.

Commissioner Bierman suggested that the language contained in the General Manager's report on Pages 6 and 16 should be identical. The Commissions concurred with this suggestion. The language would read: "Some of the natural areas discussed include..."

Mr. Shotland suggested that the 22nd and Texas site should be removed from General Manager's report because it was not discussed this year. The Commissions concurred with this request.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted by the Recreation and Park Commission:

RES. NO. 16109

WHEREAS, The electorate of San Francisco in November, 1988, approved a new Charter Section 6.413 establishing the Park and Open Space Fund for a 15-year period; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6.413 requires that the Park and Open Space Citizens Advisory Committee recommend, and the Recreation and Park Commission annually adopt, a Five Year Plan for Acquisition and Development, Renovation and Maintenance, to be updated annually, and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6.413 also requires that the General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department shall annually present a report on the disposition of the Fund for approval by a majority of each of the Recreation and Park Commission and the City Planning Commission, meeting jointly; and

WHEREAS, In formulating the proposed program, the General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department closely considered the recommendations of the Park and Open Space Citizens' Advisory Committee which were made after months of diligent work that involved community discussions, field investigations and public hearings; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6.413 requires that the program be consistent with the Recreation and Open Space Element of the Comprehensive Plan (Master Plan) and in accordance with the Recreation and Open Space Programs document; and

WHEREAS, The Office of Environmental Review of the City Planning Department found the submitted program to be consistent with the Recreation and Open Space Element and has approved the proposed program; and

WHEREAS, The General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department on May 2, 1991, presented to the two Commissions, meeting jointly, a program entitled, "General Manager's Report: Park and Open Space Fund, Fiscal Year 1991/92", dated May 2, 1991; now, therefore, be it

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2. PARK AND OPEN SPACE FUND
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1991-92 (Continued)

RES. NO. 16109
(Continued)

RESOLVED, That the Recreation and Park Commission does hereby adopt the Five Year Plan for Acquisition and Development, Renovation and Maintenance, Fiscal Year 1991/92, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Recreation and Park Commission does hereby approve the program, contained in the "General Manager's Report: Park and Open Space Fund, Fiscal Year 1991/92" dated May 2, 1991, which program is hereby found to be in accordance with the Recreation and Open Space Programs document approved by the City Planning Commission.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, McAteer, Orr, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioners Chan, Guggenhime, O'Connor

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On motion of Commissioner Bierman, seconded by Commissioner Morales, the following resolution was adopted by the City Planning Commission:

RES. NO. 13070

WHEREAS, The electorate of San Francisco in November 1989 revised Charter Section 6.413 establishing the San Francisco Park and Open Space Fund to be supported by an annual Ad Valorem tax of two and one-half cents ($0.025) for each one hundred dollars ($100) assessed valuation,for a 15-year period; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6.413 specifies that the General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department shall annually present a report on the disposition of the Fund for approval by a majority of each of the Recreation and Park Commission and the City Planning Commission meeting jointly; and

WHEREAS, Charter Section 6.413 requires that the program be consistent with the Recreation and Open Space Element of the Master Plan and in accordance with the Recreation and Open Space Programs document; and

WHEREAS, The General Manager of the Recreation and Park Department on May 2, 1991, presented to the two Commissions meeting jointly, the program entitled "General Manager's Report: Park and Open Space Fund, Fiscal Year 1991-1992," dated May 2, 1991, and the updated "Open Space Program Five Year Plan 1991-1992"; and

WHEREAS, The Commission finds the submitted program to be in general conformity with the Recreation and Open Space Element, and with the Recreation and Open Space Programs document, as amended, and desires to approve the program;

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2. **PARK AND OPEN SPACE FUND**
RECOMMENDED EXPENDITURES 1991-92 (Continued)

RES. NO. 13070
(Continued)

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Planning Commission does hereby find the San Francisco Park and Open Space program to be in conformity with the Recreation and Open Space Element of the Master Plan, and in accord with the Recreation and Open Space Programs document, provided that proposed acquisition of any of the sites listed under the Natural Areas Banking category be submitted to the City Planning Commission for a specific determination as to conformity with the Master Plan, which will include a determination as to whether the site meets the Master Plan criteria for a natural resource area and whether there are higher priority uses of the site.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Planning Commission does hereby approve the recommendations in the updated "Open Space Program Five Year Plan 1991-1992".

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Bierman, Boldridge, Engmann, Hu, Karasick, Morales, Sewell

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Commissioner Bierman commended the work of the Open Space Advisory Committee.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

At this time members of the public may address the Commissions on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park and City Planning Commissions. Members of the public may address the Commissions for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Edith McMillan, discussed the use of a public playground, Fulton, exclusively by a private school and asked whether this was appropriate.

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Joint meeting of the City Planning Commission and the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

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RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

659TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, MAY 16, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Fifty-Ninth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, May 16, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. **ROLL CALL**

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Frances McAteer
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 18, 1991, were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the minutes of the Special Meeting of May 2, 1991, were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the minutes of the Joint Meeting of May 2, 1991 with the City Planning Commission were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns submitted the following report:

"WATER CONSERVATION

Barney Barron, Superintendent of Parks, reports that once again the Department has done an excellent job in its efforts to conserve water. During the month of April the Department was 35-1/2 million gallons under its allocation. For the month of March, as I stated in my last report, the Department's water consumption was 38+ million gallons under its allocation.

BUDGET HEARINGS

The Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors has scheduled hearings on the Mayor's recommended departmental budgets for 1991-92. The budget process begins June 1st with the transmittal of the budget from the Mayor to the Board. Our department hearing is on June 19th at which time we will appear before the Committee to respond to questions and address those matters prepared by the Budget Analyst. Follow-up meetings with the Finance Committee will be on June 25 - 27.

SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT

The Department has been asked by the Private Industry Council (PIC) Youth Employment Project to identify work sites for youth ages 14 to 21. They project funding for 90 youths working 4 hours a day from June 24 to August 30. Because many are foreign born and not confident with their command of English, they have requested "outside" work rather than clerical work. The National Office of Samoan Affairs has also asked for work sites for 10 to 15 young people working 4 hours a day from June 17 to August 9. A memo was sent to all program managers asking if they have work available for these youth. Our responsibility will be to provide work sites and supervision. The sponsoring agency will provide an hourly wage, workers' compensation and counseling activities.

EVENT 91

The Arts Education Foundation in conjunction with the Recreation Division will present Event '91 at Stern Grove on Saturday, May 18,
beginning with a picnic at 1:00 p.m. and the show starting at 2:00 p.m. This annual event is the result of the collaborative efforts of our department and the School District. The performance will feature 500 children from throughout the City, including children from several of this department's Latchkey sites. The script owes its inspiration to the book "The Lorax" by Dr. Seuss, a tale about the interdependent nature of the environment and our need to act as responsible stewards of our planet. I think that this will be a very exciting performance and would encourage you to attend if at all possible.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

SPRING FESTIVAL

The Annual Spring Festival, highlighting the summer activities of the Recreation and Park Department, will be presented this year on Sunday, June 9, at the meadow in Stern Grove. On hand will be a variety of displays and information available to the public to acquaint everyone with our summer programs. There will also be performances by children from our playgrounds who have spent many hours preparing for this special event. Again, I encourage you to attend.

SUMMER PROGRAM OUTREACH

In an attempt to publicize the recreation programs we have to offer for the summer, the Community Services Division is making presentations at Parent/Teacher Association meetings and at San Francisco Unified School District Children's Centers. These informational presentations are to acquaint parents with the Latchkey Program, Afterschool Programs, Day Camps, and general programs at local recreation centers and playgrounds. The printed programs should be available the first week of June.

TEEN SURVEY RESULTS

The Recreation and Park Department Teen Program sent out nearly 2,500 surveys to recreation centers, playgrounds, high schools and youth-serving agencies. Over 800 surveys were returned. This survey will enable the Teen Program to assess the recreational needs and wants of San Francisco's teen population and help staff develop programs and outings in response to the current interest of teens. Copies are available at your place. I would like to commend Jason Gallegos, an intern from San Francisco State University, who helped devise and tabulate the survey. Congratulations to Jason.

The Commission Secretary was directed to send a letter of appreciation to Mr. Gallegos.

"GRANDPARENTS WHO CARE" PROGRAM

Jessie McElroy, Assistant Recreation Supervisor of the Richmond satellite, is one of the founders and major contributors to "Grandparents Who Care." I feel you should be made aware of this group and Jessie's efforts on its behalf. A support group and advocacy program for grandparents who are raising their grandchildren, the program helps grandparents by getting together and talking about many subjects and problems such as parenting, drug abuse, foster care, legal problems welfare benefits and recreation and respite. Jessie received a certificate as "Employee of the Month" for all her creativity and innovative efforts at the Recreation Program Committee Meeting on February 27, 1991. She and Elaine Molinari are currently trying to raise funds privately to take 25 of these grandparents to Camp Mather for the August Senior Week.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

SHAKESPEARE GARDEN DEDICATION

Dedication of the renovated Shakespeare Garden will take place on Thursday, June 13 at 12 noon. You will receive invitations to this event which will include a tree planting and light lunch at the Garden. This $130,000 project was funded through proceeds of last year's San Francisco Landscape Garden Show. The work was done by contractors who were participants in the Landscape Garden Show following the design of Bonnie Ng, Department of Public Works Landscape Architect. The beautiful garden includes flowers which were mentioned in Shakespeare's writings. The Garden design is ideal for weddings and receptions, and therefore, will be another revenue-generating location.

STRYBING ARBORETUM GARDEN OF CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANTS

In the San Francisco Chronicle of Monday, May 13, 1991 Allan Temko, the newspaper's Architecture Critic, wrote a very complimentary and lengthy review on the Menzies Garden of California Native Plants located at the Strybing Arboretum. The garden was named after the late Arthur L. Menzies, a very endeared chief gardener at the Arboretum. A copy of this article is in your packet. He is also very complimentary of the work of gardener King Sip. I think it would be appropriate for the Commission to acknowledge Ms. Sip's work as well.

The Commission Secretary was directed to send a letter of appreciation to Ms. Sip.

STRYBING ARBORETUM SOCIETY ANNUAL PLANT SALE

The Strybing Arboretum Society's 24th Annual Plant Sale was held on May 3-5. This year's event was another huge success with gross receipts amounting to $54,500 which will be used for the many Society activities supporting the Gardens.

CAMP MATHER

Jim Lucey, Assistant Superintendent of Structural Maintenance, reports that the two new buildings for housing staff at Camp Mather will be ready for occupancy by the start of camp season. Other completed projects include a new warehouse, installation of new back stairs to the dining hall, and a new irrigation system on the ball field and the lake lawn area which will enable watering at night when the area is not in use. Storm damage to the store deck and 3 cabins caused by falling trees has been repaired. Mr. Lucey feels that overall the Camp is in very good condition. He also reported that the weather has been unusual for this time of year with snow falling the entire day on May 8, followed by snow, hail and rain on the 9th.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF GOLDEN GATE PARK RETIRES

Jim Rogers, Assistant Superintendent of Golden Gate Park, retired effective April 20, 1991. The Department will request Civil Service to hold an examination for the position, but this will take some time to accomplish -- possibly up to six months. Until this process is completed it was suggested by Barney Barron, Superintendent of Parks, that the vacancy be filled by temporary appointments of any interested area supervisor or park section supervisor, not to exceed thirty days and with no increase in salary. These temporary appointments present an opportunity to learn more about the position should a person care to compete in the examination process. Implementation of Mr. Barron's suggestion has already begun.

The Commission Secretary was directed to send a letter of commendation to Mr. Rogers.

MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT

The following are claims $5,000 or under settled by the City Attorney's Office for the month of April, 1991:

Claimant	Amount
Carini	$ 114.31
Kneitel	504.17
Garden	2,450.02
Davis	117.62
Hartley	308.43
Naude	150.00
Rainski	256.39

15. DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, May 22, 1991	Recreation Program and Mather Committee, 3:30 p.m., Mission Recreation Center
Monday, May 27, 1991	Memorial Day Holiday
Monday, June 3, 1991	Golden Gate Park Committee 3:00 p.m. (tour), 4:00 p.m. (meeting)
Thursday, June 6, 1991	Parks and Planning Committee 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, June 6, 1991	Candlestick Park and Golf Committee 3:30 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, June 6, 1991	Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge"

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General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the City Services Committee of the Board of Supervisors held a hearing on the issue of Kezar Stadium and concurred with the decision to install the lights with the understanding that light and sound tests will be done for a number of months and reviewed in the future after there has been some experience with stadium operations. She further explained that the Kezar Operations Plans will be calendared for the June Commission meeting.

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4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. **Personnel Matters** RES. NO. 16110

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period April 4, 1991 through May 2, 1991.

b. **JUNETEENTH FESTIVAL / TWO-DAY EVENT** RES. NO. 16111
HAMILTON RECREATION CENTER

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the Western Addition Cultural Center for their Fourth Annual Juneteenth Festival, a two-day event on Saturday, June 15 and Sunday, June 16, 1991 at Hamilton Recreation Center during the specified times.

c. **GOLDEN GATE PARK/POLO FIELD** RES. NO. 16112
U.S. LUGE ASSOCIATION
TWO DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the United States Luge Association for a two day event at the south parking lot and west end of the Polo Field in Golden Gate Park on Saturday, July 6, and Sunday, July 7, 1991, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 Noon, and from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m., for the 3M Luge Challenge Junior Recruitment Tour.

d. **NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS AND SQUARES** RES. NO. 16113
YOUNGBLOOD COLEMAN PLAYGROUND

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to grant a revocable permit to Future Perfect developers for the construction of retaining wall, footing and drainage channel on Youngblood Coleman Playground property.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. **SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS**
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Assistant Zoo Director, David Robinett, explained the animal transactions: the capybara is a father/daughter pair and surplus to the Zoo's needs. The female snow leopard was donated to to Sunset Zoological Park, an AAZPA accredited zoo to be used for breeding and display purposes. This animal is not currently at the San Francisco Zoo as it was born to an animal on breeding loan. The male llama was donated to a college that offers a curriculum for veterinary and maintains a small animal collection for training purposes. The siamang was donated because it is the oldest offspring in the Zoo's siamang exhibit.

In response to Commissioner Eickman's question, Mr. Robinett explained that three male llamas remain in the Zoo's collection.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16114

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

SOLD TO: Safari West
3115 Porter Creek Road
Santa Rosa, CA 94940
USDA #93-B-93

One (1) female and one (1) male capybara, valued at $200.00 for the pair. Payment to be Animal Purchase Account.

DONATED TO: Sunset Zoological Park
11th and Poyntz
Manhattan, Kansas 66502
USDA #48-CA-12

One (1) female snow leopard. Note for the Record: This snow leopard is an offspring of the San Francisco Zoological Garden's snow leopard currently on loan to the Seattle Zoo.

DONATED TO: Colorado Mountain College
Crest Campus, 3000 114 County Road
Glenwood Springs, Colorado 81610
USDA #84-R-12

One (1) male llama

DONATED TO: Detroit Zoo
P. O. Box 39
Royal Oak, Michigan 48068
USDA #34-CE-012

One (1) male Siamang

6. GOLDEN GATE PARK
PANHANDLE
DENIAL OF PERMIT

Appeal of denial of permit request by Community College to use paved area of the Panhandle as parking area for students attending John Adams Campus Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 Noon from 8/15/91-12/20/91 and 1/12/92-05/30/92.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that this item is a request by the Community College Center to use the hard surface area of the Panhandle for parking for students attending John Adams campus. Staff denied the permit request on the basis that park policy discourages parking in Golden Gate Park, particularly for activities not directly related to park and recreational purposes. Secondly, the area is used for children's play activities Monday through Friday. She noted, however, that parking permits are issued for the Panhandle area for one time events and suggested that the Commission may want to review this issue to correct any inconsistencies with the current policy. She urged that the denial be upheld.

Norman Rolfe, representing San Francisco Tomorrow, stated that this request sets a bad precedent and is contrary to the City's policy to discourage commuter parking and to promote a transit-first policy. He explained that 3 bus lines serve this area and to permit this request would create the opportunity for other areas in the park to be used for parking. He suggested that the Commission review permits currently being issued for this area and to uphold staff's denial.

Sherie Koshover, adamantly opposed the parking request. She submitted 100 individually signed statements opposing parking in the Panhandle. She urged the Commission to review its policy and to reduce commuter traffic and parking in public areas. She also urged the Community College Center to develop a more creative solution to the parking problem and to promote public transit through an incentive or motivation program for students. She stated that public transportation in this area is outstanding.

Aaron Shurin, stated that he was present when the Commission denied the Farmers Market proposal in the Panhandle and applauded that decision. He urged that the Community College Center request also be denied. He is a neighbor who lives in the Panhandle area, a teacher at the Community College and fully understood the needs of the students and teachers. He stated that the John Adams campus is beautifully served by public transit. He thought it was time to review the policy for parking in the Panhandle.

Carlota del Portillo, representing the Community College District, stated that the Golden Gate Park Committee voted 2 to 1 to overturn the staff recommendation. She explained that the College would patrol the area and limit it to 20 cars. She was present because as an educator she taught by example and wanted to utilize the due process system. A special population is served at the school and although public transit can be utilized it is time consuming. She stated that the parks serve everyone in different ways. The John Adams campus is the site for the General Education Diploma (GED) testing and if funding becomes available, the GED testing site will be moved next year. She explained that she would abide by the Commission's decision but was trying to provide suitable parking rather than impacting the surrounding neighborhood.

6. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
PANHANDLE
DENIAL OF PERMIT (Continued)

Mary Helen Briscoe, stated that she is part of a neighborhood park group at Ashbury/Fell/Clayton/Hayes, and at its recent meeting there was a consensus of opinion that this proposal was wrong. She stated that everyone has terrible parking problems but opposed placing more cars into the park. She lives across the street from the Panhandle and sees people using the Panhandle area for skateboarding, bicycling, and other activities that belong in the park. She urged that the request be denied.

Lilly M. Urbach, opposed parking in the Panhandle and thought it was appalling that park land would be used for this purpose. She suggested that the parking restriction for street cleaning in the area might be changed to afternoon hours to accommodate students who need to take the GED test in the morning.

Marian Yu, lives on Hayes and Ashbury Streets and is a member of the Bay Area Bike Collection. She wanted people to use public transportation and did not think more cars in the park should be endorsed. She felt that the students should be encouraged to use public transportation.

Jim Rhoads, representing the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council, expressed his surprise that the Golden Gate Park Committee voted to overturn the staff's denial. He stated that the traffic congestion in this area would dramatically increase if parking was allowed five days a week. He stated that people who live near the park suffer because even though the park is an enrichment to everyone's lives it does bring a lot of people and congestion to the neighborhood. He urged that the Commission accept staff's recommendation and turn down the request.

Greg Gaar, a member of the Open Space Advisory Committee, explained that the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council unanimously voted to oppose the parking lot proposal. He stated that letters opposing this proposal have been submitted by other neighborhood groups. He explained it was no surprise that the John Adams campus wanted to utilize the Panhandle since St. Agnes church already uses it, USF uses the southeast corner of the park for parking and UCSF and St. Mary's use the northeast corner of the park for parking. The proposal conflicts with the objectives and policies for Golden Gate Park and the asphalt area is adjacent to the children's play area. He urged the Commission to deny the request and stated that parks are for people, not for cars. He submitted a photograph of the Panhandle with parked vehicles.

Ellen C. Benjamin, representing the Stanyan-Fulton Association, spoke in opposition to the permit request and stated that she has lived near the park for 21 years, attends John Adams, and is a retired educator from the School District. She stated that there is a children's play area in the Panhandle and that the John Adams school has not been a "good neighbor."

6. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
PANHANDLE
DENIAL OF PERMIT (Continued)

Jacob Sigg, stated that William Hammond Hall's vision of Golden Gate Park was for it to be an urban pastoral retreat and that although the Panhandle could not be viewed in such a way this proposal was in the complete opposite direction. He explained that parks are under pressure to earn more revenues and everything must be done to protect the parks. He stated that it is not the Commission's role to solve the parking problem but rather to protect the parks.

Christine Hall, a neighborhood resident who uses the Panhandle stated that she understood from people who live close to the proposed parking site that there is a tremendous safety hazard particularly with regard to children using the area. She was aware that the Commission denied the Farmers Market proposal last year and was frustrated and exasperated that she had to attend the meeting repeatedly to ensure that the Commission adhered to its own policy. She asked if the Commission denied the Farmers Market proposal to use the Panhandle one day a week why was it feasible to have the park monopolized with parked cars five days a week. She stated that on weekends this area is a disaster waiting to happen with cars and children playing in the same location.

President O'Connor stated that she felt it was a horrible idea to designate any portion of the park as a parking area. She stated that there was a need for more open space and was opposed to parking on weekends because more children are home to utilize this area. She felt there should be a ban on parking in the Panhandle in its entirety. She noted that the area is well served by public transit.

Vice President Eickman made a motion to grant temporary permission to the Community College/John Adams campus to utilize the Panhandle area from 8/15/91-12/20/91 and from 1/12/92-5/30/92 and to have staff prepare a report on the use of the Panhandle by 5/1/92. He made this proposal because he felt the Commission could not be inconsistent as permits are granted to St. Agnes Church and to other organizations. Commissioner Ruiz seconded this motion.

Commissioner Ruiz stated that he voted to overturn the staff decision at the Committee level because the Community College attempts to address the needs of a specific student population who are trying to further their educational goals. He felt if these students were successful it will enable them in the future to become productive citizens, thereby obtaining better jobs and better serving the City. He stated that the request is for an interim period and that the area in question is under-utilized during the requested hours. The College is asking for a limited number of stalls and is willing to provide security. He thanked the citizens for presenting their viewpoints but felt it was unfair to deny the request while allowing other organizations to use it.

6. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
PANHANDLE
DENIAL OF PERMIT (Continued)

Commissioner Orr explained that he voted to uphold the staff denial at the Committee meeting because he felt that approval of the request would set a horrible precedent. He preferred the suggestion offered to tear up the asphalt and plant the Panhandle area with oak trees. He further explained that he did not like the fact that St. Agnes Church was allowed to park in the Panhandle, was concerned about the issue of children's safety, and felt the Commission should reconsider this issue to determine how the area should be utilized.

Commissioner Chan disagreed with Commissioner Eickman's position and commented that he walked in the Panhandle recently and spoke to a police officer issuing a citation to an automobile in the Panhandle. The officer stated that he wanted cars prohibited in the Panhandle as some people use the asphalt area to make car repairs. Commissioner Chan sympathized with the plight of Ms. del Portillo but felt that students should be encouraged to use public transit rather than to rely on parking. The Panhandle is fronted by Masonic, Fell and Oak Streets and to allow parking would increase traffic congestion. He did not want to permit this request because other agencies located near City parks would ask for the same type of parking privileges.

Commissioner McAteer explained that she voted to overturn the staff recommendation because she was informed that automobiles currently park in the area during the weekday. She felt that this was a short-term parking plan and although she preferred that the asphalt area of the Panhandle be replaced with greenery the College has offered to monitor the area. She stated that it seemed wrong to deny the College since the request was for morning hours only.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that he was not prepared to vote for parking in the Panhandle at this time and hoped that all agencies could work together on parking, education, and revenue shortfalls.

Commissioner Eickman's motion failed to pass by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, McAteer, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioners Chan, Guggenhime, O'Connor, Orr

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16115

RESOLVED, That this Commission denies the appeal of permit request by Community College to use paved area of the Panhandle as parking area for students attending John Adams Campus Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 Noon from August 1991-May 30, 1992.

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Commissioner McAteer asked staff review the issue of parking in the Panhandle so that the Commission could consider the issue.

7. NAMING OF FACILITIES POLICY
SIXTH AND FOLSOM STREET PARK

Approval to name the Sixth and Folsom facility the "South of Market Recreation Center".

Assistant Superintendent for Recreation, Nan Neal, explained that this item is a recommendation to approve naming the Sixth and Folsom facility, the Department's newest recreation center, the "South of Market Recreation Center." Staff held a name contest and a selection committee comprised of members of the community, children, and Commissioner Ruiz recommended the proposed name. The winner of the name contest was a six year old named Grace McKnight.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16116

RESOLVED, That this Commission grants approval to name the Sixth and Folsom facility the "South of Market Recreation Center".

8. PARK CLOSURE
VISITACION VALLEY PLAYGROUND

Approval to close Visitacion Valley Playground to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

Assistant Superintendent for Neighborhood Parks, Ron deLeon, explained that this item is a request initiated by the community to place signage at Visitacion Valley Playground informing the public that the park is closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. This action will enable the Police Department to enforce the law prohibiting people from being in the park during these hours. For the past year, the park and nearby community has been besieged with burglaries and armed robberies. Staff feels that providing this signage could improve the park atmosphere.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16117

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the closure of Visitacion Valley Playground to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

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General Manager, Mary E.Burns, explained that this item is part of an overall strategy to revitalize this park. Minor renovations will be made to the park building and **Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson**, is working with the community and has recruited a new recreation director for the facility.

9. PARK CLOSURE
HOWARD LANGTON MINI PARK

Approval to close Howard Langton Mini-Park to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

Assistant Superintendent for Neighborhood Parks, Ron deLeon, explained that this item is a request initiated by the community to place signage at Howard Langton Mini-Park to allow for the closure of the park from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. The adjacent neighborhood residents have been tormented by problems in this park and a number of community members have requested that the park be closed during the late evening hours.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16118

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the closure of Howard Langton Mini Park to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

10. OCEAN VIEW PLAYGROUND
MURAL

Consideration of the request from Rowland Company to place a mural at Ocean View Playground on the rear wall near the picnic area.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK
SHAKESPEARE GARDEN

Acceptance of gift in the amount of $13,000 for decorative entry gate and approval of Beach Blanket Babylon Plaque location and wording.

Park Planner, Joanne Wilson, explained that this item is the acceptance of a gift in the amount of $13,000, in the form of a gate. The gift includes a memorial plaque honoring Cyril Magnin. The plaque is about the same size of a memorial bench plaque (5" x 8") and the wording would state: "These gates donated by Steve Silver Beach Blanket Babylon in memory of Cyril Magnin." The Golden Gate Park Committee raised an issue that the Commission's Gift Policy states that a person honored should have been deceased for at least five years before being proposed for recognition. Mr. Magnin died in 1988. Since the plaque size is about the same size as used on memorial benches staff recommended approval with the understanding that this portion of the Gift Policy should be re-evaluated to clarify this point.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16119

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the acceptance of gift in the amount of $13,000 for a decorative entry gate and the placement of a plaque, not to exceed 5" x 8", to read: "These gates donated by Steve Silver Beach Blanket Babylon in memory of Cyril Magnin."

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Vice President Eickman thanked Friends of Recreation and Parks for donating funds to renovate the Shakespeare Garden.

12. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
LIBERTY TREE MEADOW
SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Consideration of request to erect temporary fencing in Liberty Tree Meadow for the Shakespeare Festival August 26-October 16, 1991.

Acting Assistant Superintendent for Golden Gate Park, Robert Leet, explained that this item is a request to erect temporary fencing around the performance area for the Shakespeare Festival. The fencing will contain the audience to a limited area and will give them a sense of being in a theatre-like setting. The fencing will replace the bleacher type seating that was used in the past few years.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner McAteer, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16120

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to erect temporary fencing in Liberty Tree Meadow for the Shakespeare Festival August 26-October 16, 1991.

13. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
LUXURY SUITE PRICES
FOOTBALL SEASON 1991

Approval of prices for luxury suites for 1991 football season.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that the 49ers have requested new prices for the luxury suites. The increase represents approximately 20% above the prices charged for the 1990 season. The Department receives 20% of the suite rental paid to the 49ers. The 49ers have been granted, by the Commission, flexibility in marketing the suites, plus or minus 20%. Based on the proposed increase, the Department will receive at least $100,000 in additional revenue for the luxury suites.

Commissioner Orr asked if the 5 suites which are reserved for 49ers are sold and asked for clarification on the exemption of rent for the baseball press box area.

Mr. Arnold explained that the 5 suites are used by the 49ers and the visiting team. He further stated that these 5 suites and the baseball press box area are exempt from minimum rent payment. For the other suites, the 49ers must pay a minimum rent of $7,500 or 20%, whichever is greater per suite, per season to the Department.

13. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
LUXURY SUITE PRICES
FOOTBALL SEASON 1991 (Continued)

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16121

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the prices for the luxury suites for 1991 football season as submitted by the San Francisco 49ers in their letter dated 3/21/91.

14. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
EXPANSION OF PREPAID PARKING
FOOTBALL SEASON 1991

Approval for expansion of prepaid parking from 6000 to 8000 spaces for the 1991 football season.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is a request from the 49ers to have the entire paved parking lot pre-sold for season ticket holders, with the exception of the area designated for buses and recreational vehicles, and to have no parking spaces sold on the day of game. A portion of the paved parking lot has been pre-sold for the last two seasons, but at least 2,000 spaces have been reserved for day of game sale. Staff recommended that the 49ers set aside at least 1,000 spaces for day of game sale, inform the ticket holders of their desire to pre-sell the entire lot for the 1992 season and report its findings to the Commission.

In response to Commissioner McAteer's question, Mr. Arnold explained that he was not aware of any stadium that pre-sold its entire parking lot but noted that the Candlestick Park parking lot area is very small and many other stadiums offer more parking. Each of the 4 entrance gates to the parking lot are given an allotment of tickets to sell on the day of game.

Commissioner Eickman questioned whether pre-selling the parking lot would add to the cost of attending 49er games.

Commissioner Chan noted that before pre-paid parking was offered he had to arrive 3 hours prior to the game to ensure a space in the main parking lot.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that the policy of the City is to encourage public transportation to Candlestick Park and that pre-selling the parking lot facilitates the flow of traffic to the game.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16122

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the expansion of prepaid parking from 6,000 to 7,000 spaces for the 1991 football season, thereby guaranteeing 1,000 spaces for day of game sale.

15. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
SONY SCOREBOARD AGREEMENT

Approval of proposed amendments to Sony Scoreboard Agreement.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that last December the Commission approved an expansion of the advertising program at Candlestick Park. The purpose of the expansion program was to improve the appearance of the existing advertising panels and to increase revenues for Candlestick Park. Under the agreement, Sony receives the advertising rights in the stadium but is restricted to certain areas of the stadium. This amendment will allow for additional sites for advertising (subject to approval by the Commission), and will increase revenues by $250,000-$500,000. In addition, the installation cost shall be borne by the advertiser.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner McAteer, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16123

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed amendments to the Sony Scoreboard Agreement.

16. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
TOBACCO ADVERTISING

Approval of restriction of tobacco advertising at Candlestick Park.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that one of the major advertisers at Candlestick Park promotes tobacco products. Currently, there is a City policy which discourages the use and display of tobacco products. Staff proposed restricting any future contracts for tobacco advertising. This action will not affect the current contract at Candlestick Park with Philip Morris which expires on 1/15/98.

Commissioner McAteer said that this proposal would give a monopoly to Philip Morris Company and felt, to generate additional revenue, other tobacco companies should be allowed to advertise until the Philip Morris contract expires.

President O'Connor stated that she opposed tobacco advertising even if it generated additional revenue to the Department.

Mr. Arnold explained that the current advertising contract with Philip Morris prohibits other tobacco firms from advertising at the stadium.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16124

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the restriction of tobacco advertising at Candlestick Park.

16. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
TOBACCO ADVERTISING (Continued)

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Eickman, Guggenhime, O'Connor, Orr, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioner McAteer

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President O'Connor informed the Commission that she has asked staff to review a proposal to ban smoking in its entirety at Candlestick Park.

3:35 p.m. Commissioner Guggenhime left the meeting.

17. **PARK BOND**
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Approval of supplemental appropriation in the amount of $7,898,431 to implement the park rehabilitation projects funded by the 1987 Park Bond.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that this item was heard at the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee and is approval of the 1987 park bond supplemental appropriation fund. The funding source is from bonds that will be sold in June of this year ($6,000,000), from interest earnings to date ($1,770,612) and from bonds that were sold in August, 1988 which were not previously appropriated ($127,819). The total amount of the supplemental appropriation is $7,898,431. This money will be used for six parks that were included in the park bond.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16125

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the supplemental appropriation in the amount of $7,898,431 to implement the park rehabilitation projects funded by the 1987 Park Bond.

4:00 p.m. to 4:35 p.m. The Commission convened in Executive Session to discuss Item 17a.

17a. **PON & HOM, INC. VERSUS CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**
ATTORNEY CLIENT CONFERENCE

The Commission convened in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9 (a) of the California Government Code to discuss pending litigation.

18. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16126

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $4,906.00, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. One (1) hoofed stock trailer from the San Francisco Zoological Society valued at $1,300.00, for use at the San Francisco Zoological Gardens for animal transport.

b. From St. Anthony Foundation, $1,000.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for Boeddeker Park summer concerts.

c. From San Francisco Croquet Club, $1,606.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for Sigmund Stern Grove.

d. From Pacific Telesis Center, $1,000.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for Noah's Ark Fundraiser.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate letters of thanks will be sent to the donors.

19. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Jacob Sigg, explained that a roadway on Bayview Hill, deeded to the City in 1915 for access to Bayview Hill Park, has been graded by a developer. He stated that Lot 38 is a proposed housing development and the owner has graded and stripped an area which is park property. The California Native Plant Society is very disturbed by this action because the area is under consideration for acquisition by the Open Space Program. He urged the Commission and Department to review this matter.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that she was unaware of this situation and would have staff review the issue.

John Williams, representing the Golden Gate Swimmers, stated that the Dolphin and South End Clubs have no right to prohibit people associated with the Golden Gate Swimmers Master team to land on the City beach and warm up in the City's aquatic park facilities one day a year. He requested that the Commission adopt a resolution authorizing the use of these facilities by the Golden Gate Swimmers.

19. PUBLIC COMMENT (Continued)

John Balch, representing the Golden Gate Swimmers, stated that the Commission should not delegate responsibility for day swim safety to the Dolphin/South End Clubs because these clubs engage in unsafe swims. He specifically referenced the Farallones swim as an unsafe swim.

Diddo Clark, stated that the Dolphin/South End Clubs' insistence on prohibiting Point Bonita swimmers and all other groups public access is inconsistent with the terms of the Clubs' lease. She further stated that five provisions of the lease require public access and cited instances where the Dolphin/South End Clubs have interfered with the Point Bonita swim.

Demophile Rateaver, appearing on behalf of the Golden Gate Swimmers, stated that the Dolphin/South End Clubs have no right to prohibit people associated with the Golden Gate swimmers master team from landing on the City beach and warming up in the City's aquatic parks facilities one day of the year. He explained the Clubs' exclusionary policy violates the City lease and the public trust.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that staff has held meetings on this matter and that the issue should be calendared for consideration next month.

20. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President O'Connor commended Frances McAteer and her long years of public service to the Recreation and Park Commission. She stated that it had been a pleasure to work with Frances and hoped her role on the San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park Advisory Commission would be challenging.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, read a statement from Commissioner Guggenhime which stated, in part, "...I have known Frances since 1970. Her warmth and vitality have given all who have known her a sense of comfort. Frances and her late husband, Senator Gene McAteer have given so much energy and time to make the City a better place in which to live. I will miss Frances tremendously..."

Ms. Burns stated, on behalf of the Department, that Frances has been one of the most conscientious commissioners, attending Department events and activities which are meaningful to employees, particularly those in the field. She further stated that Mrs. McAteer is irreplaceable and thanked her for all the help she has given to Recreation and Park.

21. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of April 3, 1991
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of May 2, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of May 2, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of May 6, 1991
Candlestick Park and Golf Committee Meeting of May 7, 1991

22. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Bernard Teitelbaum, Deputy Mayor for Mayor George Moscone, who passed away recently.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Victor Barbata, who passed away recently.

On motion of Commissioner McAteer, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Sheldon Cable, M.D., who passed away recently.

There being no further business, the 659th Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: This action calendar sets forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

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RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

660TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Sixtieth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, June 20, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Trent Orr (noted present at 2:10 p.m.)
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 16, 1991, were approved as presented.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners O'Connor, Eickman, Chan, Guggenhime, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Orr

2:10 p.m. Commissioner Orr arrived at the meeting.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns submitted the following report:

"BUDGET

The Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors held its first review session on our 1991-92 budget last night. The Budget Analyst of the Board of Supervisors is recommending substantial reductions from our budget as proposed by the Mayor. The total amount of these recommended reductions is over $900,000. Included in the Budget Analyst's recommendations is the elimination of twenty gardener positions and three administrative positions. All of these positions are filled. The Budget Analyst is also recommending that our Chief Nursery Specialist, the position which supervises our three nurseries in Golden Gate Park, be deleted. This position became vacant during the freeze imposed by the Mayor on all new hiring. Now the Budget Analyst is recommending that the position be deleted entirely because it is vacant. The Budget Analyst is also recommending against funding for the new state-mandated employee health screening and testing program which the Commission approved this year. The Budget Analyst is also recommending the deletion of virtually all training funds in the Administrative and Park Divisions and the deletion of virtually all mileage reimbursement funds for recreation supervisors and park gardeners who are responsible for two or more sites. The Finance Committee will decide on these recommendations at their meetings next week (June 25-27). The recommendations of the Finance Committee will then be transmitted to the full Board of Supervisors for consideration in July. Generally, the recommendations of the Finance Committee are approved by the Board of Supervisors. A copy of my response to Mr. Rose's recommendations is at your place.

CAMP MATHER

Because the Women's West Coast Music Festival will not take place, the Department, in an effort to generate additional revenue, proposed an extension of the regular Camp Mather Season through the Labor Day weekend. In order to do this, a minimum number of "campers" would be required. However, we were unsuccessful in getting enough people to sign up for this additional week.

RHINO WALK

Kenya's "Rhino Man," Michael Werikhe, has walked part way around the world in an effort to raise funds and make people aware of the vanishing black rhinoceros. Saturday, June 29th, on the West Coast part of his walk, beginning at 8:00 a.m., those interested in joining Michael will assemble at Vista Point of the Golden Gate Bridge. At that time a registration fee of $25 will be collected. Zoo Director, David Anderson, and an official from the American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums (AAZPA) will welcome the walkers and then proceed across the Bridge, through Golden Gate Park and on to the Zoo. At the Zoo, Michael will give informal talks on preservation of the rhinos at the Wildlife Theatre and also at the Rhino Exhibit. On Sunday, there will be a children's breakfast at the Children's Zoo and again Michael will speak on this topic. Last year Mr. Werikhe received one of the original Goldman Environmental Awards. We are pleased that he is recognizing the success of the San Francisco Zoo in the preservation of this very endangered species.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

EAGLE HATCHING

The first bald eagle chick produced at the San Francisco Zoo as well as California will soon be released along with a mate about the same age that was hatched from an egg taken from a nest on Catalina Island and brought to the San Francisco Zoo. On June 23 both birds will be transported to a release tower on Santa Catalina to acclimate them to their new environment. They will probably make their first flight during the early part of July. These events are expected to receive national press coverage.

ZOO DIRECTOR ELECTED TO AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF ZOOLOGICAL PARKS AND AQUARIUMS (AAZPA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS

David Anderson, Zoo Director, has been elected to the AAZPA Board of Directors. This Board is made up of nine members serving a three-year term. David previously served as the Chairman of its Ethics Board, the Honors and Awards Committee and is currently a member of the Accreditation Commission. Congratulations, David, on this most prestigious appointment.

FRIENDS WALKING TOURS

Friends of Recreation and Parks has begun its season of free guided walking tours of Golden Gate Park and Stern Grove. This is the twelfth season the volunteer guides have given the walks which focus on the park's history, horticulture, uses, and current issues and status. For the more energetic visitor, a bike tour of Golden Gate Park is offered once a month. On Sunday, June 23, at 11:00 a.m., a special tour featuring the statues in the east end of Golden Gate Park will be offered. Participants will experience the park as an art gallery. The Friends would welcome the opportunity to take the Commissioners on this walk or any of the others they offer. A new brochure is in your packet outlining the free walks.

NEIGHBORHOOD BEAUTIFICATION GRANT

A $5,000 grant will be awarded to the Friends of Recreation and Parks from the Neighborhood Beautification and Graffiti Clean-up Fund of the Chief Administrator's Office. This money will be used to supply tools, supplies and recognition for volunteer activities in the Department. Thanks to Elaine Molinari, Director of Neighborhood Services, for obtaining these funds.

SECOND ANNUAL SPRING CLEAN

The Inner Sunset Park Neighbors held their Second Annual Clean-up in the neighborhood's adjacent parklands on Saturday, June 1st. More than 130 men, women and children planted drought-resistant shrubs, picked up more than 20 cubic yards of litter and debris, trimmed back underbrush, and planted 3 trees. This effort was organized by the "Neighbors" with the able help of Kevin Shea, Section 4 Supervisor, and our Director of Neighborhood Services, Elaine Molinari. An appropriate letter of thanks from the Commission to the neighborhood would be appreciated.

The Commission Secretary was directed to send a letter of appreciation to Inner Sunset Park Neighbors.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

PRO-AM BASKETBALL LEAGUE

The San Francisco Bay Area Pro-Am Basketball League began its 12th season on June 18, 1991. This program is organized and directed by Recreation Director, Jon Greenberg, of Potrero Hill Recreation Center. This year there will be a new twist to the program. In addition to the usual games between college, European and NBA players, Golden State Warriors' rookies and free agents will play nine exhibition games against pro-am teams. The first series of these exhibition games is scheduled for Friday, June 21, (7:00 p.m.), Saturday, June 22, (7.00 p.m.) and Sunday, June 24 (2:00 p.m.), Kezar Pavilion. Exhibition games will be held on the following two weekends, same time, same place. The regular league schedule will extend for nine weeks with the best-of-three championship series scheduled for August 12, 14 and 16 at Kezar. Admission to all games is free. The Pro-Am League averages 20,000 fans per season.

STRYBING ARBORETUM DIRECTOR TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

Wald Valen, Strybing Arboretum Director, is attending the Annual Meeting of the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta. This meeting is being held in Minneapolis from June 18 - Sunday June 23.

SUMMER '91 SCHEDULE OF CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES

Pacific Gas and Electric, McKesson Foundation and Pier 39 contributed funds to augment the Department's printing of our Summer Program. Eighty Thousand (80,000) booklets were distributed to all public and parochial school students, recreation centers, playgrounds,libraries, and a Social Service Care Center. This year, the Public Relations Office is working with our Special Needs Division to supply a computer disk to the bulletin board computer network for the blind. People who are blind or severely visually impaired will be able to read our Summer Program through braille. Additionally, the Public Relations Office received more than 400 general public telephone requests for the publication.

This year a police officer and many teachers personally took the time to request programs for youths in their areas even though most youngsters had already been scheduled to receive the Summer Program through their schools. Even with this large distribution effort, requests for the program from preschool and day care centers could not be accommodated.

MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT

Claimant	Amount
Conservatory Shop	$ 900.45
Blick	248.30
Madayag	68.57
Castellano	176.55
King	441.48
Brown	40.00
Glogowski	337.76
Chong	417.83

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

13. DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, June 22, 1991	Sharon Arts Spring Show 3:00-6:00 pm, Sharon Building, Golden Gate Park
Wednesday, June 26, 1991	Recreation Program and Mather Committee, 3:30 p.m., Randall Museum
Monday, July 1, 1991	Golden Gate Park Committee 3:00 p.m. (tour), 4:00 p.m. (meeting), McLaren Lodge
Tuesday, July 2, 1991	Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, July 3, 1991	Parks and Planning Committee, 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, July 3, 1991	Joint Zoo Committee 4:30 p.m. (tour), 5:00 p.m. (meeting) San Francisco Zoological Gardens
Thursday, July 4, 1991	Holiday"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. PERSONNEL MATTERS — RES. NO. 16127

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period May 3, 1991 through June 5, 1991.

b. TENDERLOIN RECREATION CENTER DISNEYLAND TRIP — RES. NO. 16128

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the Tenderloin Recreation Center's trip to Disneyland.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

c. **JOSEPH LEE RECREATION CENTER** RES. NO. 16129
MARIN HEADLANDS AND SAUSALITO TRIP

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Joseph Lee Recreation Center's trip to the Marin Headlands and Sausalito.

d. **RECREATION DIVISION** RES. NO. 16130
TEEN PROGRAM
BACKPACKING TRIP

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the overnight backpacking trip for the 1991 summer in conjunction with the Department's Teen Program.

e. **GOLDEN GATE PARK** RES. NO. 16131
FRISBEE GOLF
TWO DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to hold a two-day frisbee golf event in Golden Gate Park on Saturday, July 13, and Sunday, July 14, 1991, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

f. **GOLDEN GATE PARK** RES. NO. 16132
MUSIC CONCOURSE
TWO DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to hold a two day event at the Music Concourse in Golden Gate Park on Saturday, October 12, and Sunday, October 13, 1991, from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., for a psychic faire.

g. **NURSERY SCHOOL** RES. NO. 16133
LEASE RENEWALS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following nursery school lease renewals:

°Glenridge - Silver Tree Camp
°Rainbow Plus - McCoppin Playground
°Haight Ashbury - Grattan Playground
°Rocky Mountain - Peixotto Playground

h. **UNION SQUARE GARAGE** RES. NO. 16134
RENT CREDIT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the rent credit in the amount of $6,495 to Systems Parking for elevator repairs at Union Square Garage.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

i. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 16135
WATER MAIN CONNECTIONS
AWARD OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the award of contract to Woods Construction in the amount of $43,000 for water main connections in Golden Gate Park.

j. MISSION DOLORES PARK — RES. NO. 16136
TENNIS COURT LIGHTING
INCREASE IN CONTRACT CONTINGENCY

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase in the construction contingency in the amount of $15,000 to correct light pole foundation and increase in construction management in the amount of $2,300 from "unassigned" project funds for Mission Dolores Park, Tennis Court Lighting.

k. CANDLESTICK PARK — RES. NO. 16137
1991 FIELD MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the 1991 Field Maintenance Agreement with the San Francisco Giants at Candlestick Park.

l. CANDLESTICK PARK — RES. NO. 16138
USAGE AGREEMENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Copa Camel request for use of Candlestick Park for a soccer tournament to be held on Friday, August 2, 1991 and Sunday, August 4, 1991.

m. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT — RES. NO. 16139
INJURY/ILLNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Injury and Illness Prevention Policy for the Recreation and Park Department.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Approval of a donation to a private party of one (1) female mute swan from the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained the animal transaction: the mute swan was donated to a private party who has a pond area as the swan had been ostracized by the other swans at Zoo.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16140

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the donation to a private party of one (1) female mute swan from the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

6. **SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS**
SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY
FOOD AND BEVERAGE PRICE INCREASE

Approval of proposed increases in food and beverage prices for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens, effective July 1, 1991.

Park Property Manager, Robin Burgstahler, explained that the San Francisco Zoological Society has requested an increase in food and beverage prices for the Zoological Gardens. She stated that the proposed price increases were comparable to those charged at other Zoos and felt the fee increase was justified. She recommended approval of the request.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16141

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the increases in food and beverage prices for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens, effective July 1, 1991.

ITEM	SIZE	CURRENT PRICE	APPROVED PRICE
Hot Dog	8 to a lb	$1.60	$1.75
Jumbo Dog	4 to a lb	2.50	2.95
Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich		New Item	1.75
Chili Dog	4 to a lb	3.00	3.50
Polish Sausage	4 to a lb	3.25	3.75
Orange Juice, Punch, Lemonade	8 oz	.85	Discontinued
Orange Juice, Punch, Lemonade	12 oz		1.25
Orange Juice, Punch, Lemonade	16 oz		1.50
Orange Juice, Punch, Lemonade in souvenir cup	32 oz		2.75
Apple Cider	8 oz	.85	Discontinued
Apple Cider	12 oz		1.10
Icee	14 oz	1.10	1.25
Hot Chocolate	8 oz	.75	Discontinued
Hot Chocolate	10 oz		.95
Frozen Yogurt	4 oz	New Item	1.50
Gourmet Chocolate Chip Cookies		.80	.95
Cotton Candy		1.25	1.50
Churros		1.25	1.50
Popcorn	1-1/4 oz	1.25	Discontinued
Popcorn	1-1/2 oz		1.50
Pretzels	2-1/2 oz	1.15	Discontinued
Pretzels	5-1/2 oz		1.50
Nachos		1.75	2.25
Super Nachos		3.75	4.25
Soft Serve		1.25	1.50
Chips, Fritos		.60	.75
Stroller Rental		2.00	3.00

7. GOLDEN GATE PARK
PARK AID STATION

Approval of use of Park Aid Station as an Outreach and Volunteer Center.

Elaine Molinari, Director of Neighborhood Services, explained that the Park Aid Station, currently used as a supply station for the City's Paramedic Unit, will be vacated by the Unit in the late summer. The building was originally constructed with monies jointly contributed by the Department of Public Health and the Recreation and Park Department with the understanding that Recreation and Park would retain ownership upon vacation. The building has also been nominated for historical landmark status. The proposed renovation plan includes: repair of sandstone, replacement of the roof, renovating the current garage area into a community meeting room, creation of office space, and making the building and restrooms handicap accessible. The building will house the Department's Office of Neighborhood Services and the Friends of Recreation and Park. No opposition was received from the public meetings held on this proposal. Funds will be raised by the Office of Neighborhood Services and Friends of Recreation and Parks. The cost to repair and renovate this building is $330,000.

In response to Commissioner Eickman's question, **Leslie Schemel, Executive Director of Friends of Recreation and Parks**, explained that her Board has some concerns with relocating but her organization has grown, its activities have increased and they have outgrown the present office.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16141

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the use of Park Aid Station as an Outreach and Volunteer Center for the Recreation and park Department.

8. NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS AND SQUARES
BREWSTER STREET COMMUNITY GARDEN

Conceptual approval of the plan for a community garden at Brewster Street.

Director of Special Projects, Tom Chiosso, explained that a proposal has been developed by the San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners (SLUG) and the San Francisco Conservation Corps for the Brewster Street community garden located in Bernal Heights. A $50,000 grant from the Mayor's Office of Community Development will help to implement the proposed design including terracing the garden and placement of a pathway that will wind through the garden. The garden is located on a very steep slope and is 60 feet from the top to the bottom.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16143

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the conceptual plan for a community garden at Brewster Street.

9. **ST. MARY'S SQUARE**
ST. MARY'S GARAGE

Approval of Memorandum of Understanding transferring the roof top portion of the St. Mary's Garage from the Parking and Traffic Department to the Recreation and Park Department for the expansion of St. Mary's Square.

Assistant to the General Manager, Timothy Lillyquist, explained that a proposal has been received to expand St. Mary's Square by opening up the wall separating the roof top portion of the garage and extending the park onto the rooftop. Since the property is owned by both the Recreation and Park Department and the Parking and Traffic Department, negotiations took place on the terms and price of the transfer. The cost of this transfer is $202,331 which represents the historic value of the rooftop.

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question, Mr. Lillyquist explained that the historic value represents the original cost of the property plus the cost of improvements rather than the fair market value which is estimated to be over $700,000.

In response to Commissioner Eickman's question, Mr. Lillyquist explained that the Department will pay another City agency in order to have complete jurisdiction of the rooftop portion of the garage and that the Parking and Traffic Department compromised by agreeing to the historic value rather than the fair market value. Mr. Lillyquist further explained that a State grant of $369,000 has been received to pay for a large portion of the proposed improvements.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16144

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Memorandum of Understanding transferring the roof top portion of the St. Mary's Garage from the Parking and Traffic Department to the Recreation and Park Department for the expansion of St. Mary's Square.

The Department of Parking and Traffic (DPT), through its Executive Director, and the Recreation and Park Department (RPD), through its General Manager, agree to exercise a Jurisdictional Transfer of that property designated as The Rooftop of the St. Mary's Square Garage ("Property") located at 433 Kearny Street. The purpose of this property transfer is to allow Rec-Park to expand the present St. Mary's Square Park by converting the adjacent rooftop of the St. Mary's Garage into additional open space area.

DPT and RPD agree to the following terms and conditions:

1. DPT agrees to accept the historical cost of $202,331 as the value of property and Rec-Park agrees to transfer said funds to Parking upon the approval of legislation by the Board of Supervisors and the Mayor and allocation of the 1991-92 Open Space Program budget. In the event said $202,331 is not allocated in the 1992-93 Open Space Budget, RPD agrees to fund the transfer from its 1992-93 share of revenue (58%) from said facility.

9. ST. MARY'S SQUARE
ST. MARY'S GARAGE (Continued)

RES. NO. 16144
(Continued)

DPT and RPD agree to the following terms and conditions:

2. RPD agrees to perform at its sole cost and expense the following capital improvements subject to plans being reviewed and approved by DPT.

   A. Remove two existing vehicular ramps leading from the 5th floor of the parking facility to the roof and fill in openings on roof.

   B. Waterproof and/or seal the roof surface slab to protect garage below.

   C. Make necessary alterations to the manlift so that it does not hinder garage operation.

   D. Relocate and/or alter the garage ventilation ducts which are presently located on the rooftop.

10. NOE BEAVER MINI-PARK
REDESIGN PLAN

Approval of the redesign plan for Noe Beaver Mini-Park.

Assistant to the General Manager, Timothy Lillyquist, explained that this item is a minimal redesign of the Noe-Beaver Mini-Park located in the Duboce Triangle area. Over the last year there has been problems with people congregating in the park in the late night hours drinking, and performing unsavory activities. Members of the community requested that the park be fenced to divert this activity but when the fencing request was heard by the Parks and Planning Committee some members of the public spoke in opposition to this proposal. Therefore, community meetings were held and a proposed modification was developed which will reduce the size of the rear seating platform to make it a pathway rather than a seating area. Some of the seating will remain in the front portion of the park. He felt that the modification may alleviate people from congregating at night.

Cade Morrow, explained that there has been a concerted effort from the community, particularly those that live nearby, to alleviate the problems associated with the late night and early morning hour activities in the park. He felt that this minor change may help to divert the loud noise, drinking and fighting that occurs in the back area of the park. He supported the proposal, as did members of the community, even though a substantial number of the community still wanted the park to be fenced.

Kirsten Sharp, explained that she lived next to the park and hoped that this proposal would be a solution to the nighttime noise problem. She stated that this redesign plan is the most palatable to the neighbors and may alleviate the problem in the park because the back area is the most attractive location for groups to gather and create disturbance. She encourage the Commission to approve this proposal.

10. NOE BEAVER MINI-PARK
REDESIGN PLAN (Continued)

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16145

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the redesign plan for Noe Beaver Mini-Park.

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Assistant to the General Manager, Timothy Lillyquist, thanked Cade Morrow for his ongoing support and help to the Department in Noe Beaver Mini Park.

11. JAPANTOWN PEACE PLAZA
REHABILITATION

Consideration of schematic design for the rehabilitation of the Japantown Peace Plaza.

Assistant to the General Manager, Timothy Lillyquist, explained that when the Japantown Peace Plaza was acquired, it was done with the understanding that the Department would have limited resources to develop, improve or maintain the Plaza. As a result, there has been a great deal of assistance from the community to maintain the facility. However, the community would like to see a major redesign of the Peace Plaza which involves the building of a Japanese garden. A community organization, entitled "Friends of the Japan Peace Plaza" has been formed to raise funds for the renovation plan, projected to cost over $1 Million. A preliminary design by architect Kimio Kimura has been developed; the specific elements of the design and a maintenance agreement will be approved by the Commission at a later date. He explained that the Department did not want to assume any more maintenance responsibilities for this site. The design would eliminate a water feature around the pagoda because leakage into the garage has been a major problem. A permanent stage would be installed in the plaza area for public assembly and the area would be landscaped with fixed gravel to resemble a dry river bed. The organization has been able to obtain a $50,000 grant. He asked that the plan be conceptually approved with the understanding that the Friends of the Japan Peace Plaza will continue to raise funds for this ambitious project.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that she hoped the organization was successful in its fundraising efforts. If they are not able to raise the money privately they will have to redesign the plan to something less costly. She explained that it would be difficult to allocate public funding for this $1 Million project given all the other priorities facing local government.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16146

RESOLVED, That this Commission conceptually approves the schematic design for the rehabilitation of the Japantown Peace Plaza.

12. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
AMENDMENT TO STADIUM LEASE
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

Approval of amendment to Third Amendment of Stadium Lease with the San Francisco Giants.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that last March a package of items affecting the Giants lease, including parking, scoreboard and outstanding payments, was approved by the Commission. The package was then sent forward to the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors who reviewed the items and asked the Commission to reconsider several specific points. Staff has again met with the Giants to reconsider the points specifically raised by Supervisor Hallinan, a member of the Finance Committee. Mr. Arnold outlined the proposed modifications:

°Use of Luxury Suites by Non-Profit Organizations: The Giants' position is that they have the right to sell all admissions to the stadium and that no one other than the Giants, under the terms of the lease, shall sell admission to the stadium for Giants games. The Giants are opposed to the City re-selling the suites set aside for the City's use. However, the Giants presently have a policy which allows for the use of suites under their control and discretion for fundraising purposes. The Giants have agreed to add specific language to the lease detailing the Giants' policy regarding use of the luxury suites by non-profit organizations.

°Location of 7,000 complimentary seats: The Giants have agreed to make available to youth enrolled in Recreation and Park Department programs 7,000 seats. The Finance Committee asked that the Giants specify the location of those complimentary tickets. Accordingly, the Giants have agreed to locate the complimentary seats in "Upper Reserved" section.

°Reasonable Number of complimentary tickets: The intent of this sentence is to provide tickets for the members of the Board of Supervisors. The Finance Committee wanted a specified number of complimentary tickets and the agreed to number is no more than 24 complimentary tickets per game.

°Rent Credit Provisions: The Department has inserted a rent credit provision in a number of its leases. The Budget Analyst took strong exception to this provision as did Supervisor Hallinan. Therefore, staff is now recommending that this clause be deleted from the Giants lease amendment.

Mr. Arnold explained that although Supervisor Hallinan raised a number of other issues including the City's percentage on the rental of luxury suites, cleaning fees for the suites, and parking issues, the four technical amendments as outlined above were the only modifications agreed to by the Giants.

In response to President O'Connor's question, Mr. Arnold explained that the Giants have paid the Department 5% of the price of the luxury suite tickets only. In cases where the cost of rental of the suites is greater than the ticket price, no additional revenue has been received from the Giants.

12. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
AMENDMENT TO STADIUM LEASE
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS (Continued)

Mr. Arnold explained that Department has agreed to a $50.00 deduction from 5% of total rent for cleaning of the suites. The Giants have agreed to pay suite rental retroactive to 1986 as part of the package of negotiated settlements. The 5% is to be based on the results of the Controller's Audit.

Commissioner Guggenhime said that these four amendments may not satisfy Supervisor Hallinan.

In response to Commissioner Eickman's request for clarification on the wording "...make luxury suites available...", Mr. Arnold explained that the Giants make the luxury suites available for rental and not every suite is rented on a full-season basis; some of the the suites are available on day of game. The Giants have made those suites available to non-profit organizations and the amendment will insert language verifying this practice.

Commissioner Eickman then asked for clarification on the 7,000 complimentary seats. Mr. Arnold explained that in the past the Department purchased the seats for Department's youth programs.

President O'Connor suggested that the 7,000 complimentary ticket clause should also include seniors.

Commissioner Eickman asked who would receive the "complimentary tickets". Mr. Arnold explained that the legal wording will read "...to the City..." but the seats are set aside for members of the Board of Supervisors. Commissioner Eickman wanted assurance that the Commission would not be involved in allocating the "24 complimentary tickets". Mr. Busch said that a process would be developed through the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Arnold explained that the Giants will not agree to any further amendments and that if the package is not approved by the Board of Supervisors litigation will be necessary to settle the differences between the City and the Giants.

Mr. Busch made a statement to the Commission explaining that his relationship with the Department over the past 12 years has been at times difficult and strained through a lack of understanding and mistrust. In the recent past however, the Giants have re-evaluated their relationship with the City and has found it to be characterized by mutual trust and respect.

Mr. Busch explained that comments were made at the Board of Supervisors meeting by members of the public who were concerned about the City's financial situation and the fact that Candlestick Park requires support from the City's Hotel Tax Fund. He explained that when Candlestick Park was built in 1960 it operated without support from the City's General Fund, Hotel Tax or Special Admissions Tax and that the City began subsidizing operating, maintenance and construction costs only when the 49ers moved into the stadium. He reiterated the point that when Candlestick Park was occupied only by the Giants, it did not require any outside support.

12. CANDLESTICK PARK
AMENDMENT TO STADIUM LEASE
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS (Continued)

Mr. Busch further explained that the lease contains obligations for both the City and the Giants which have not been fulfilled by the City, including security costs and clean up costs. Because the City did not meet its lease obligations, the Giants spent $970,000 to provide security in the stadium last year. He also explained that the City is obligated to keep the stadium "...in good order and repair, inside and out..." which he says, it has not done. He noted that neither of those items were a subject of the recent negotiations which lead to the settlements and amendments agreed upon by both parties.

Mr. Busch explained that at the Finance Committee some comparisons were made between the Giants and the 49ers. He pointed out that the City, rather than the 49ers, bears 100% of the cost of cleaning the stadium after each football game; the City bears 100% of the cost of converting the stadium to football a number of times each year when the football and baseball seasons overlap; and the City pays 100% of the cost of replacing the playing field at the end of each football season. He stated that the Giants resent any implication made by anyone that they are subsidized by the City's taxpayers.

Mr. Busch stated that the Giants were asked to consider amendments to the stadium lease and certain financial settlements on issues of concern to the City. The settlement package which was approved months ago represent mutual accommodations on the part of both the Giants and the Department to resolve very different legal interpretations of the stadium lease. The negotiations that took place were a result of commitment by both parties to avoid costly and lengthy litigation. He explained that the Giants were prepared to accept all the proposals presented by Mr. Arnold in altering the settlements and amendments previously approved by the Commission but adamantly stressed that they would not, under any circumstances, agree to any further changes.

He completed his statement by saying that certain well meaning individuals have attacked the Giants on this settlement package. He asked that those who do not believe that the settlement is fair and in the best interest of the City to oppose them without attacking the Giants' integrity as a tenant, as an enterprise, or as a member of this community.

President O'Connor stated that she was dismayed by the charges made by media and public.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that he felt that a professional baseball team should be in the City and that children and seniors will miss not being able to attend baseball games. He felt that the City should not compete with the Giants for the utilization of the two luxury suites when they are not receiving any revenues from them.

Commissioner Ruiz asked for assurance for a non-profit organization using a luxury suite to be located in a prime location in the stadium.

Mr. Busch said that the luxury suites provided by the Giants are farther out because the other boxes are sold on a full season basis to customers. He stated that they have never received a complaint from a non-profit organization regarding the location of those boxes.

12. CANDLESTICK PARK
AMENDMENT TO STADIUM LEASE
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS (Continued)

Commissioner Eickman understood the Giants' position about re-selling the luxury suites. He noted that the Department currently faces a similar problem with one of its concessionaires in the park about that specific issue. He wanted the Giants to stay in the City and wanted an agreement that was satisfactory to both sides. He did not want this matter to be heard again by the Commission and felt that it was at the point that if the Board of Supervisors is not satisfied with agreement then it must be resolved by the courts.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16147

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the amendment to Third Amendment of Stadium Lease with the San Francisco Giants and that the 7,000 complimentary ticket clause shall also be applicable for seniors as well as youth.

13. CANDLESTICK PARK
AMENDMENT TO SONY SCOREBOARD OPERATING AGREEMENT

Approval of amendment to Sony Scoreboard Operating Agreement at Candlestick Park.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that in March the operating agreement for the scoreboard was approved by this Commission. Included in this agreement was a commitment by the Commission to pay the Giants for the operation of the scoreboard for the past 4 seasons in the amount of $767,828.55 subject to the Controller's Audit. The City Attorney has advised that the amount specified should be more clearly identified as an unaudited figure. In addition, the annual cost of operating the scoreboard was discussed and it was agreed that the cost would not exceed the base level actual of 1990 with an inflation factor. The City Attorney has advised that the compensation should be directly tied to audited figures.

Commissioner Eickman questioned the point of approving the amendments if there was a chance the Board of Supervisors might not accept it. Mr. Arnold explained that this item is a technical modification recommended by the City Attorney and that the Board need not approve it.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16148

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an amendment to Sony Scoreboard Operating Agreement at Candlestick Park.

14. CANDLESTICK PARK
AMENDMENT TO PARKING LOT AGREEMENT
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS

Approval of amendment to Parking Lot Agreement with the San Francisco Giants at Candlestick Park.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that in March the parking lot agreement was approved by the Commission. The Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors raised questions regarding (1) what is the appropriate split of net revenue between the City and Giants. The split was 95% to City, 5% to Giants. The Giants have now agreed to change the split to 97.5% to City; 2.5% to Giants. The second issue had to do with the use of pre-sold parking revenue and who received the split. In the 1989 agreement the Controller found that the Giants had pre-sold a number of parking spaces and had retained all revenue on the pre-sold tickets and paid parking revenue on the tickets actually used on day of game. The Controller said that this practice is not consistent with the terms of the agreement. The Giants disagree with the Controller and during the negotiation process asked that the language be changed to allow them to pre-sell parking tickets for full value and to pay the City only when the parking tickets are used. Mr Arnold did not recommend modifying this section.

Commissioner Guggenhime supported Mr. Arnold's comments but felt that there may be an issue regarding pre-sold parking.

Mr. Busch explained that when the main parking lot is full the Giants pay for those passes whether the pre-sold passes are are used or not.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16149

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the amendment to Parking Lot Agreement with the San Francisco Giants at Candlestick Park.

15. RECREATION DIVISION
ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT

Ratification of acceptance of a grant from the Northern California Grant Makers in the amount of $13,600.00, to be used at Recreation and Park Department playgrounds, day camps and afterschool sites.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that the Northern California Grant Makers awarded various recreation centers of the Department small grants totalling $14,230 to supplement summer programs. The $13,600 figure used in the title of this item was revised because additional grants were given.

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

15. RECREATION DIVISION RES. NO. 16150
ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT (Continued)

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the acceptance of a series of individual grants from the Northern California Grant Makers in the total amount of $14,230.00, to be used at Recreation and Park Department playgrounds, day camps and afterschool sites.

16. GOLDEN GATE YACHT CLUB
LEASE/IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Approval of a 30-year lease with the Golden Gate Yacht Club and conceptual approval of improvement plan for Golden Gate Yacht Club.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar

17. GLEN EAGLES GOLF COURSE
MC LAREN PARK
INCREASE IN GREEN FEES, CART FEES AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PRICES

Approval of request to increase green fees, cart fees and alcoholic beverage prices at Glen Eagles Golf Course at McLaren Park, effective 7/1/91.

Park Property Manager, Robin Burgstahler, explained that this item is a request to increase prices at Gleneagles Golf Course. She felt that the price increase was justified because the golf range is slightly larger than Fleming and Golden Gate golf courses and the new prices are comparable to other courses. The lessee, Mr. DeLambert, also asked for an increase in cart rental which Ms. Burgstahler also felt was justified since the Department's golf courses will be requesting a cart increase in the near future.

Commissioner Eickman recalled that prior to Mr. DeLambert, this golf course operation was riddled with problems and that the Department lost a tremendous amount of money. He was pleased that Mr. DeLambert ran the course so well.

On recommendation of the Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16151

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to increase green fees, cart fees and alcoholic beverage prices at Glen Eagles Golf Course at McLaren Park, effective 7/1/91.

	Green Fees			
	Current Weekday	Current Wknd/Hol	Approved Weekday	Approved Wknd/Hol
Standard 9	$ 8	$10	$ 9	$ 12
Standard 18	13	16	15	20
Senior/Junior Card (10 round - 9 hole)	5 each* ($50 total)	N/A	6 each* ($60 total)	N/A
Back 9 Surcharge	3*	N/A	4*	N/A

*Available weekday only; not offered on weekend

17. GLEN EAGLES GOLF COURSE RES. NO. 16151
MC LAREN PARK (Continued)
INCREASE IN GREEN FEES, CART FEES AND ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE PRICES

Cart Fees				
9 holes	$10	$10	$10	$ 10
18 holes	18	18	20	20

Alcoholic Beverages	Current	Approved
Well drinks	$ 2.25	$ 2.50
Premium "Call"	-	.25 increase
Domestic Beer	1.75	2.00
Imported Beer	2.25	2.50

18. GOLDEN GATE PARK
STOW LAKE
BOAT RENTAL/FOOD AND BEVERAGE PRICE INCREASES

Park Property Manager, Robin Burgstahler, recommended approval of the boat rental and food and beverage prices for the Stow Lake concession.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16152

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the increases in boat rental prices and food and beverage items for the Stow Lake concession, Golden Gate Park, effective July 1, 1991:

Type	Current Per Hour	Approved Per Hour
Electrical (2 person)	$11.00	$11.75
Row Boat (2 person)	8.00	8.50
Sm Pedal (1-2 person)	8.50	9.25
Lg Pedal (up to 4 persons)	10.00	10.75

Item	Current	Approved
Hot Dog (8 to a lb)	$1.60	$1.75
Icee (14 oz)	1.10	1.25
Hot Chocolate (8 oz)	.75	Discontinued
Hot Chocolate (10 oz)	New Item	1.00
Chips	.60	.75
Golden Gate Park Map	New Item	2.00

18a. GOLDEN GATE PARK BAND
RATIFICATION OF CONTRACT

Ratification of the Golden Gate Park Band contract for Fiscal Year 1991-1992.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that this item is a request to approve the contract for the Golden Gate Park Band. The contract is the same as last year and provides Sunday afternoon concerts in Golden Gate Park. He noted that there was a delay in processing the contract because there was confusion as to which entity would pay the band, either the new non-profit organization or the Department. The Department will pay the band.

In response to Commissioner Orr's question, Mr. Robinson explained that funding comes from the Hotel Tax Fund as well as funding generated from the newly formed non-profit organization.

Mr. Robinson explained that there has been funding problems in the past few years because there are increased playing days due to the drought. In year's past there were rainy days when the band did not perform but in recent years such has not been the case.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16153

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the Golden Gate Park Band contract for Fiscal Year 1991-1992.

18b. GOLDEN GATE PARK
AIDS WALK
APPEAL OF PERMIT FEE

Appeal of the permit fee for the AIDS Walk to be held on July 21, 1991 in Golden Gate Park.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that last year the AIDS walk attracted approximately 12,000 participants. Staff has developed a basic entry fee charge of .50¢ for all races, walk-a-thons, etc. Last year the fee was waived in lieu of an in-kind service in the form of training from the AIDS Foundation for the Department. To date, the Department has not used this service. This year, the Foundation offered the same in-kind service in lieu of the fee. Staff recommended that the in-kind service be denied and the .50¢ per person entry fee be charged.

President O'Connor stated that any group, including non-profit organizations, is charged the .50¢ per participant fee.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the Department charges the Zoological Society the .50¢ fee which benefits the Zoo as well as the Bay to Breakers event.

18b. GOLDEN GATE PARK
AIDS WALK
APPEAL OF PERMIT FEE (Continued)

Debra Kent Friedland, representing the AIDS Walk, stated that the AIDS walk is the largest AIDS fundraiser in Northern California. She explained that the AIDS walk works because it is a community based event. This is the 5th year of the event and in the last 3 years AIDS services have risen 500%. She asked that in the spirit of cooperation the Commission reconsider the permit fee.

Steven Sams, explained that he has been one of the top fundraisers for the AIDS walk. He explained that individuals pledge money because they know that the bulk of the money raised goes to organizations that the AIDS Walk benefits. He stated that he could not abide paying the park $6000 when he worked so hard to raise funds for AIDS.

Bartholomew Casimir, a community outreach coordinator for San Francisco Black Coalition on AIDS explained that his organization is one of the beneficiaries of the AIDS walk. His group was organized in 1988 with a staff of two and now has a staff of seven. They received $70,000 last year from the AIDS walk. If the fee was imposed he was concerned that his funding would decrease.

In response to Commissioner Chan's question, Mr. Robinson explained that the .50¢ charge was imposed for all events that generate revenue, be it through entry fees or pledges.

Commissioner Orr explained that he has participated in the AIDS walk and finds it a worthy group. He was concerned that if a fee was not imposed many other worthy groups would ask for a fee waiver.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16154

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a permit fee of $3,000 plus an an in-kind service for the Department in the amount of $3,000.

4:10 p.m. to 4:20 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session on Item 18c

18c. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16155

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of the litigated claim of Hendricks in the amount of $387,500.00

19. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16156

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $174,900.00, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From the San Francisco Symphony, $2,400.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for Civic Center Plaza park maintenance and reforestation program.

b. From the Chevron Companies, $3,000.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for Tenderloin Recreation Center Disneyland trip.

c. From the McKesson Foundation, Inc., $3,500.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for distribution of the Department's 1991 Summer Recreation Program.

d. From Friends of Recreation and Parks, renovation of the Shakespeare Garden in Golden Gate Park, valued at $145,000.

e. From "Save the Golden Gate Park Band", $21,000.00, for funding of the Golden Gate Park Band.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That letters of thanks shall be sent to the donors.

20. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Robert Raven, a member of the San Francisco Bicycle Coalition wanted the Department to work harder to make the City parks and recreation centers more accessible to bicyclists. He wanted bicycle racks in front of Department facilities and better markings for bicycle routes and paths. He was further opposed to Park Patrol hassling "ultimate frisbee" games in park.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, suggested that Mr. Raven contact Park Planner, Deborah Learner, who has worked with Bicyclist Coalition in the past.

Diddo Clark, representing the Point Bonita Swim, stated that people who do safe swims should be able to use a City shower. She commented that the South End/Dolphin Clubs prohibit safe swims from using City showers if those swims include non-members. She stated that this violates City lease.

20. PUBLIC COMMENT (Continued)

Maryls Saveri, read a letter from the publisher of the "Marina Times" in opposition to the push cart vendors at the Marina Green. The letter said in part "...During the last several weeks we have received a number of telephone calls regarding the mobile hot dog vendors now operating in the Marina...Most of the callers object strenuously..." The letter explained that the neighbors resent that they are not able to enjoy the open space area of the Marina because of the many commercial events held in the Marina Green. The local merchants are trying to recoup their losses from the Loma Prieta earthquake and the push cart vendors serve as competition.

Joan Marie Girardot, representing the Marina Civic Improvement & Property Owners Association, spoke in opposition to the push cart vendors at the Marina Green. She stated that her organization received notice of the proposed mobile push cart at an outdated address. Since push carts started in May they have received dozens of phone calls in opposition to push cart vendors. The neighbors do not want commercialization in the Marina. She suggested that the lessees at the Marina should be solicited to generate revenue through methods other than push carts vendors. She asked the Commission to revoke the permit and if it was not willing to take that action, to not renew it. She clarified the point that people do not object to the kiosk but rather the push carts.

Gloria Fontanello, spoke in opposition to the push cart vendors at the Marina Green. She represented the neighborhood association, Safeway, and the Marina merchants. She stated that one vendor is located in front of Chestnut Street (in front of basketball courts) and people really are not patronizing the push carts. She explained that nobody received notices of the specific areas where the push carts would be placed. She appealed to the Commission to reconsider the push carts and to stop their presence at the Marina.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the Marina is one of the many sites approved by the Commission for push carts. The first set of permits were for a six month period to obtain experience, to find out what is working and what is not working. This matter will be open for discussion when it is reviewed by the Commission. She noted that the Commission has already adopted a policy prohibiting the sale of items other than food outdoors on Recreation and Park property.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, suggested that staff will return with a report on the locations used by these vendors.

A discussion ensued regarding the vendor blocking entrance to Moscone Playground, whether or not signage can be placed, and how the permit could be revoked.

President O'Connor explained that this matter will be calendared before the August 1991 Parks and Planning Committee meeting.

21. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President O'Connor spoke about the Department's 1991-92 budget and the Budget Analyst's proposal to substitute 20 custodian positions for gardener positions. She urged the commissioners to contact members of the Board of Supervisors and voice opposition to this proposal.

22. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee Reports were submitted for the record:

Recreation Program and Mather Committee Meeting of May 22, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of June 3, 1991
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of June 6, 1991
Candlestick Park and Golf Committee Meeting of June 6, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of June 6, 1991

23. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Chan, the meeting was adjourned in memory of John Boyer, a gardener at Sharp Park Golf Course, who recently passed away.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Jose Coronado, a recreation director at Folsom Playground.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Darryl Hall, a recreation director at Hayward Playground.

There being no further business, the 660th Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: This action calendar sets forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

San Francisco, California
July 18, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

660TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, JULY 18, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Sixtieth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, July 18, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Trent Orr (noted present at 2:05 p.m.)
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 2:05 p.m.)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 16, 1991, were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns submitted the following report:

"CAPITAL BUDGET

The 1991-92 budget which is being considered by the Board of Supervisors includes $845,000 in general fund capital projects for the Recreation and Park Department. This capital budget is an increase of $12,000 over the general fund portion of the capital budget for the previous year. The general fund capital budget for the entire City was reduced by $2 million from $9 million to $7 million. Therefore, although we had hoped for a larger increase in the capital budget, we were at least able to maintain our previous level of funding. Other projects funded include $300,000 for irrigation improvements at the golf courses, $50,000 in water supply improvements at Camp Mather, $100,000 in housing improvements at Camp Mather, and $150,000 in general maintenance improvements at Candlestick Park. These projects are all supported by revenue funds and Candlestick Park funds.

GOLDEN GATE PARK PROJECT

Approximately three weeks ago, a new project was begun in Golden Gate Park involving gardeners from all the sections in Golden Gate Park. The undertaking is designed to clean up the area bounded by Lincoln Way and Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive. It started at 3rd Avenue and Lincoln Way and will continue westward until we reach the ocean. A substantial amount of refuse along with horticultural debris has been removed from the area. The Department has received four individual, favorable comments for efforts to date citing the vast improvement in the area and the feeling of safety since the areas have been opened up.

ZOO NIGHT TOUR

The popular Night Tour at the Zoo offers a unique opportunity to see first hand the behind-the-scenes operation of the San Francisco Zoo as well as enjoy entertainment, music and good food. Two tours have already taken place -- Thursday and Friday evenings, July 11 and 12. Attendance for these two nights was 9,200. The third and final night tour is scheduled for tomorrow evening, July 19, beginning at 5:30 p.m. If you have not gone to one of these night tours, I encourage you to do so. You will not be disappointed.

KOALA BIRTH

Karen, our female Koala, gave birth to her second offspring on Friday, July 12. After a 34-36 day gestation period, the baby is born, crawls up into the pouch and finally emerges from the pouch completely formed. The San Francisco Zoo is one of only eight places in the United States that holds Koalas in captivity and one of only three institutions that has bred them in the United States. The last Koala birth at the Zoo occurred in 1988.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

SUMMER PROGRAMS

The Recreation Division summer activities are now in full swing. The demands for recreational services have been incredible; all day camp sessions are completely filled. All Latch Key programs are filled, with a long waiting list at each site. The attendance at all recreation facilities throughout the City are the highest in years. The obvious need for inexpensive but quality summer activities, and the massive distribution of summer programs to every student in San Francisco are the main reasons for the overwhelming number of participants. As you are aware, the cost of printing over 69,000 summer programs was donated by several San Francisco corporations. Besides the normal letter of appreciation from the Commission to Pacific Gas & Electric, the McKesson Foundation and Pier 39, I think a description of this tremendous jump in attendance would be most appropriate.

The Commission Secretary was directed to send letters of thanks to the corporations.

KEZAR TESTS

Test of the lights and sound system at Kezar Stadium will take place on Monday, July 22, 1991, starting at 5:30 p.m. The test will provide the Kezar Stadium neighbors and all interested individuals an opportunity to participate first-hand in the development of the guidelines that will govern the operations of these systems. Over 400 notices have been mailed in an attempt to encourage input from as many sources as possible. A follow-up community meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 24, 1991, 7:00 p.m. at McLaren Lodge to begin the process of finalizing the permit policy for Commission adoption in August.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM ISSUES

The Civil Service Commission has developed a series of proposed Charter Amendments to substantially overhaul the Civil Service system as it applies to the examination process, the authority of the Commission to reclassify positions and dismissals of permanent employees. All are proposed to be placed on the November ballot. If you would like copies of the proposed changes, Carol Sam will be happy to provide copies to you.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH "CONSUMER PROTECTION UPDATE"

The Spring 1991 edition of "Consumer Protection Update" published by the Department of Public Health has made Camp Mather the topic of its lead article. Not only does the article address sanitation and environmental health principles, but also gives a history of the Camp and how it evolved from a facility that was built to feed and house the workers who built O'Shaughnessy Dam. It also informs readers of the construction of new dormitories for employees and other new facilities at the Camp. I think you will find this a very interesting and informative article. A copy is at your place.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

DAMAGE TO BAYVIEW PARK

During the public comment period of the May 16th Commission meeting, a member of the public stated that there had been recent grading activity by the owner of a parcel adjacent to Bayview Park, and that an area which is park property had also been graded. Staff inspected Bayview Park and confirmed that park property had been damaged. The area that was damaged by grading activity was originally intended to serve as an access road to the north side of Bayview Park, but is currently undeveloped. According to the California Native Plant Society, this area is a sensitive habitat area containing many species of native plants. The recent damage consists of a broken guardrail (adjacent to the existing Bayview Park road), a cut and graded area, and the felling of several trees. Because of the recent grading activity, invasive weeds (such as fennel) are encroaching into this sensitive habitat area. Staff will follow-up by submitting a claim for damages against the owner of the adjacent parcel.

BOB LEET TO BE GUEST HOST OF 1992 HOLLAND TOUR

Bob Leet, a Park Section Supervisor in Golden Gate Park, has been invited by the California State Automobile Association to be a guest host for one of its 1992 Floriade tours of Holland. Once every 10 years people from the Dutch horticulture industry present a world showcase called Floriade. An array of bulbs, flowers and plants as well as educational exhibitions on the use of high-tech energy and the environment will be displayed. As guest host, Bob will provide "color commentary" for the tour members. With his expert knowledge Bob will be available to answer questions and provide information on techniques needed to grow beautiful flowers.

MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT

Claimant	Amount
Chumo	$252.83
Germano	$378.99

RETIREMENTS

Bob Mansi	1654	Principal Accountant	33 years

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, July 25, 1991	Special Recreation and Park Commission Meeting, 4:00 P.M., County Fair Building (re Marina Yacht Harbor)
Thursday, August 1, 1991	Parks and Planning Committee, 9:00 A.M., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, August 1, 1991	Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, 4:00 P.M., McLaren Lodge
Monday, August 5, 1991	Golden Gate Park Committee, 3:00 P.M. (tour), 4:00 P.M. (meeting), McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, August 7, 1991	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:30 P.M. (tour), 5:00 P.M. (meeting), San Francisco Zoo"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. PERSONNEL MATTERS — RES. NO. 16157

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period June 6, 1991 through July 3, 1991.

b. JAPANTOWN PEACE PLAZA - TWO-DAY EVENT
18TH ANNUAL NIHONMACHI STREET FAIR — RES. NO. 16158

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the Nihonmachi Street Fair Committee to stage the 18th Annual Nihonmachi Street Fair at the Japantown Peace Plaza on Saturday, August 3, 1991 and Sunday, August 4, 1991 at specified times.

c. GOLDEN GATE PARK
LIBERTY TREE MEADOW (BUNNY MEADOW)
SHAKESPEARE IN THE PARK — RES. NO. 16159

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the multiple day event at Liberty Tree Meadow (Bunny Meadow) on specified dates in August, September and October 1991.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

d. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 16160
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DRIVE
EAST OF CROSSOVER DRIVE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the removal of a portion of the "No Parking Any Time" signs on Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, East of Crossover Drive.

e. JAMESTOWN RECREATION CENTER — RES. NO. 16161
APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the agreement with CYO-Archdiocese of San Francisco, Inc., in regard to operation of Jamestown Recreation Center.

f. MARINA GREEN — RES. NO. 16162
KIOSK FOOD CONCESSION
RENT CREDIT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the rent credit in the amount of $574.34 for cleanup, repair and expenses and adjustment of the rent for closed days from May 1 to 17, 1991 in the amount of $310.76 for the Marina Green Kiosk food concession.

g. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT — RES. NO. 16163
PHOTOCOPYING CHARGE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the $.25 charge per page for photocopying documents requested by the public in cases where the number of pages requested is four or more.

h. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM — RES. NO. 16164

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed settlement of the litigated claim of Bernice Ferreria in the amount of $6,000.00.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
MISSION AND GOALS STATEMENT

Approval of the Mission and Goals Statement for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained that the mission and goals statement has been developed over the past few years by the Zoological Gardens. The Zoological Society adopted the statement on 7/16/91. He explained that input was received by the Zoological Society, members of the Zoo staff, the Joint Zoo Committee and members of the public and was developed to ensure long term economic security for the institution.

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
MISSION AND GOALS STATEMENT (Continued)

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16165

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the San Francisco Zoological Gardens Mission Statement as follows:

MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the San Francisco Zoological Gardens, is to enrich human appreciation and understanding of natural diversity, to encourage commitment to the preservation of wild habitats, and to promote global conservation through education and the exhibitory, propagation and management of wildlife.

GOALS

Conservation To play an active role in protecting and reinforcing wildlife populations, and to participate in local, national and international programs to prevent loss, waste or contamination of natural resources.

Education To enrich educational experience for visitors, especially children, to encourage responsible community attitudes toward wildlife and the environment, to impart information and to motivate public participation in conservation.

Research To collect, evaluate and disseminate scientific data, to carry out field research, to act as a resource for academic study, and to evaluate educational and visitor services.

Recreation To provide a pleasant and memorable experience that communicates the zoo's conservation goals to a culturally diverse population of students, children and adults.

Economics To ensure long term financial security by sound fiscal management and creative development of funding means, and to balance lifetime costs of capital investments with annual revenues.

Community To benefit all segments of the Bay Area's culturally diverse population, to develop the zoo as a resource for families, and to provide opportunities for volunteer participation.

Leadership To achieve excellence for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens through wise stewardship in the use of resources, ethical management and responsiveness to community needs and concerns.

6. LAKE MERCED
VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS

Approval of replacement of foot bridge damaged in the Loma Prieta earthquake, rehabilitation of the perimeter walk, rehabilitation of the parking areas east and west of the South Lake viaduct at Lake Merced.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that this item was reviewed by Parks and Planning Committee and involves the construction of safety and rehabilitation projects at Lake Merced. The projects are: (a) restoration of the foot bridge damaged in the 10/17/89 earthquake, (b) rehabilitation of the perimeter path around the lake including paving the existing area, correcting pavement hazards and creating a 4' wide soft surface that runs adjacent to the hard surface path, and (c) renovation of the parking areas on either side of the viaduct. All of these items are exempt from environmental review because of their safety rehabilitation aspects.

Flora Zagorites, urged the Commission to approve the Lake Merced projects, particularly repair of the foot bridge, and to proceed with the work as soon as possible.

Elizabeth Tainter, lives at the Lake Merced Hills condominiums, and from her window she can see the perimeter pathway, its heavy usage and the need for renovation. She urged the Commission to approve the item.

In response to Vice President Eickman's question, Ms. Learner explained that the pathway improvements should begin before the end of the year. The bridge project is more involved because a portion of the funding was obtained through Federal Emergency Management Act (FEMA) and staff is negotiating with them because the construction estimates are quite high. She expected that work would begin some time in the beginning of the next year. Ms. Learner further explained that once the Lake Merced Master Plan is completed other projects may be contemplated if funds permit.

President O'Connor asked when the environmental review will be completed for the Lake Merced Master Plan. Ms. Learner explained that the Regional Water Quality Control Board has asked the Department to identify and implement several remedial steps to address the lead concentrations found near the gun club and that it may take years to address this issue and then insert the results in the Master Plan environmental evaluation. If required, a hazard mitigation plan must be approved before the Lake Merced Master Plan is finalized.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16166

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the replacement of the Lake Merced foot bridge damaged in the Loma Prieta earthquake, rehabilitation of the perimeter walk, and rehabilitation of the parking areas east and west of the South Lake viaduct at Lake Merced.

7. MISSION PLAYGROUND
PARK CLOSURE

Consideration to close Mission Playground to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

Superintendent of Parks, Barney Barron, explained that this item is a request from residents of the Mission District to close the playground from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. Neighbors have encountered problems with drug trafficking, alcohol abuse, auto dismantling, etc. This item was reviewed by the Parks and Planning Committee and he recommended approval.

Shauna D'Ambrosim, submitted a letter from the Mission Playground Association, a group of residents who have started to address some of the problems in the area. It is problematic to use the park in the day because of the broken glass, needles, etc., which may be in the park as a result of the nighttime activity. She stated that there is a health hazard involved with the nighttime activity and that closure of the park at night will enable the Police Department to enforce the Park Code.

Dan Harris, lives a block from the Mission Playground and is co-chair of the Mission Neighborhood Association. In the last two years the park has seen increased drinking, drug use, urination, defecation and illegal activities. He has been meeting with the Police and Recreation and Park Department staff since last Fall to solve some of these problems. He felt that park closure will help the neighborhood and give the Police the authority to cite the abusers. He urged the Commission to approve the nighttime closure.

Liz McAninch, explained that her property borders the Mission Playground. She stated that children cannot use the playground after it has been used as a restroom by others and that the area is very noisy at night. She urged that the Commission approve the park closure.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16167

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the closure of Mission Playground to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

8. PARKSIDE PARK
NAMING OF SOFTBALL FIELD

Approval to name the softball field at Parkside Park in memory of Bob Cheney.

Superintendent of Parks, Barney Barron, explained that this item was approved by Parks and Planning Committee and is a request from residents of the park to name the field at Parkside Playground to honor of Bob Cheney. Mr. Cheney was a long time resident of the Parkside District, very active in the community, and the founder of the parkside softball tournament some 25 year ago. Mr. Barron noted that this request falls within the guidelines of the Naming of Facilities Policy and therefore urged approval.

8. **PARKSIDE PARK**
NAMING OF SOFTBALL FIELD (Continued)

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16168

RESOLVED, That this Commission grants approval to name the softball field at Parkside Park in memory of Bob Cheney.

9. **DOLPHIN CLUB/SOUTH END ROWING CLUB**
REVIEW OF GROUP USAGE POLICY AND PROCEDURES

Approval of the group access and usage policy and procedures for the Dolphin Club and South End Rowing Club.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, explained that staff and the Commission have been working for a year to establish a group access policy for the Dolphin and South End Clubs at Aquatic Park. Staff has held two public hearings on this issue and very little concern was expressed by the public at these meetings against the current policy for the aquatic clubs. Resolution 11189, previously adopted by the Commission, established policy that non-profit organizations must have open memberships and stipulates that the clubs must be open to the public without discrimination. He recommended adopting revisions to Resolutions 11734 and 11189 previously adopted by the Commission. Mr. Prindle clarified the point that the proposed modifications to Resolution 11189, the policy which provides that Department facilities must be open to the public, will now allow for individual exemptions on a case-by-case basis. Revisions to Resolution 11734 will establish a precedent for review of sponsorship of club events and outlines the reasons for the exemptions to Resolution 11189. The Commission has now reserved to itself an appellate process for all denials of sponsorship to ensure a fair and consistent use of the club facilities. Both clubs have submitted procedures for group public access.

Mr. Prindle explained that Ms. Clark submitted a letter which quotes the Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) and states that approval of the proposed resolutions would be a violation. Mr. Prindle has spoken to three members of BCDC all of whom informed him that it was misquoted. He urged that the matter be approved.

James Oliver, stated that he felt it was wrong and unfair to prohibit the Point Bonita Swim access to the Dolphin and South End Clubs and that they should be allowed to walk across the beach and take advantage of the clubs' shower and sauna facilities.

Diddo Clark, representing the Golden Gate Swimmers, asked the Commission to refrain from prohibiting group public access to the City's aquatic park property. She stated that the proposal may be inconsistent with the California Water Quality Act and urged that the matter be postponed until input is received from the State. She further stated that the proposal would privatize the City's aquatic park beach and that the Point Bonita Swim benefits non-profit organizations dedicated to save the Bay. She urged the Commission to start over, include the Golden Gate Swimmers in the process of formulating the public access policy and have Mr. Prindle oversee the development of this new policy.

9. DOLPHIN CLUB/SOUTH END ROWING CLUB
REVIEW OF GROUP USAGE POLICY AND PROCEDURES (Continued)

John Balch, representing the Golden Gate Swimmers, explained that the proposed policy prohibits group public access. He stated that the Point Bonita Swim uses safety precautions and has the necessary insurance for the swim. He further explained that the clubs have expressed concern that the current athletic programs tax their economic and management capacity. He felt that the Point Bonita Swim could increase revenues for the clubs. He urged the Commission to address the denial of public access to the clubs as he felt it was a lease violation.

Meg Reilly, representing the Dolphin Club, explained that ten years have passed since the Commission reviewed this entire issue and put in place the public access program. Ten years ago, the Dolphin Club had 250 male members; today there are 850 male and female members. She stated that they have answered in detail how they conduct themselves and there is only a voice of one who is disgruntled. She noted that the clubs have aggressive swim programs. She stated that the Dolphin Club will entertain all ideas given reasonable consideration and configure its program to meet proposed needs.

Peter Bianucci, President of the Dolphin Club, explained that they have made a sincere effort to meet the general needs of the public and do not feel that they have violated any public access requirements. He stated that procedures are in place to allow events to occur at the club and urged that the Commission approve the resolutions.

Tim Callahan, Assistant Swim Commissioner at the Dolphin Club, explained that lengthy discussion have taken place on this issue with all proposals discussed in great detail. He stated that in the last 20 years nobody has ever applied to the Dolphin Club to put on an event. The Dolphin Club asked Ms. Clark to submit an application assuming she had an interest in using the club. Her application was incomplete and the club felt that her swim was unsafe. He stated that the Dolphin Club is a non-profit organization, with a very large volunteer staff and an aggressive swim program. He urged that the Commission approve this item and noted that on 12/20/90 the Commission adopted an appellate process for anyone who is denied public access to the clubs.

Fred Rogers, representing the Golden Gate Swimmers, stated that the Point Bonita Swim was a very organized swim. He explained that these swimmers would welcome a warm shower and sauna and could see no reason why the clubs could not open their doors to this group of swimmers.

Lloyd Kearns, explained that he is a Point Bonita Swimmer and swam last year in the swim. Since he is a slow swimmer, he will be in the water 3 to 4 hours and would therefore like to be able to use the Dolphin/South End facilities. He noted that the Golden Gate National Recreational Area closed their showers and the clubs offer the only available showers.

Armando Menocal, a member of the Dolphin Club, explained that he is founder of a nationwide organization which seeks to provide access to public and private lands for recreational purposes. He explained that he is familiar with the Dolphin Club rules for individual and group public access and, in his opinion, those rules are generous, fair, and completely non discriminatory. He urged that the Commission adopt the proposal.

9. DOLPHIN CLUB/SOUTH END ROWING CLUB
REVIEW OF GROUP USAGE POLICY AND PROCEDURES (Continued)

Nancy Stretch, representing the South End Rowing Club, urged that the proposal be adopted. She explained that taking a shower at one of the aquatic clubs after a long swim is a very narrow view because there are other issues to consider including liability. She stated that a lot of work has been done on the proposal, they have been carefully reviewed and are fair and impartial.

Commissioner Orr commented that he has been involved in this process at great length. He has learned about the club's concerns of liability, its policy toward the public, and the volunteerism that is present in the clubs. He noted that in response to Ms. Clark's charge of racism, the Human Rights Commission has issued a report which found her charges of racism groundless and unfounded. The Commission has discussed the public access issue with the City Attorney and has set up an appellate process in case an event is denied. Commissioner Orr proposed deleting a sentence in the South End Rowing Club group public access policy which met with no opposition.

Commissioner Ruiz asked for clarification on using the club's showers and the problems it would create.

Commissioner Orr stated that outside use of the club facilities could create liability problems. If something goes wrong there is the chance that someone will sue the club. It is also the club's judgment that if a given swim is unsafe but it is forced to accommodate the swim they are open to considerable liability. Additionally, the clubs have a full schedule of swim events, including an introduction to Bay swimming, and additional swims compounds their problems, particularly since they operate with a volunteer force.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16169

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following group access and usage policy and procedures for the Dolphin Club and South End Rowing Club:

WHEREAS, The manner in which the Dolphin Swimming and Boating Club and the South End Rowing Club (hereafter collectively referred to as "the Clubs") each operate for public benefit, its hours of operation, the means by which non-members gain access, and the fees charged for use of the facilities by members and non-members, among other things, are subject to approval of this Commission; and

WHEREAS, Membership in the Clubs must, in order to conform to the requirements of the Fourteenth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and of the San Francisco Charter, be open to all interested persons who are presumptively entitled to join as members absent good cause for exclusion; and

9. **DOLPHIN CLUB/SOUTH END ROWING CLUB** RES. NO. 16169
REVIEW OF GROUP USAGE POLICY AND PROCEDURES (Continued) (Continued)

WHEREAS, Because of the duty of the Clubs to provide public recreation, initiation fees charged new applicants must be reasonable and not excessive in relation to the amounts charged new members in clubs of a similar nature; and

WHEREAS, The Clubs shall be allowed to charge a reasonable initiation fee, as long as such amount will not erect a financial barrier to persons wanting to use the Clubs' facilities; and

WHEREAS, Opening the Club's facilities to non-members is a manner of operating the facilities which may expose the clubs to problems, liability and expenses not encountered otherwise, such as increased security problems, including danger to persons and property and increased operating expenses generated by the costs incurred in keeping the facilities open to the public and the impossibility of recouping from the possibly small number of non-member patrons the full costs incurred in opening the facilities to non-members, and increased exposure to suit or liability; and

WHEREAS, Providing an opportunity for the Clubs to try different methods of admitting non-members to their facilities will allow the Clubs the flexibility necessary to maintain the most efficient manner in which these facilities can be utilized on behalf of members and non-members alike; and

WHEREAS, The Dolphin Club charges its members $300.00 per year as dues and the South End Club charges its members $195.00 per year as dues; and

WHEREAS, The financial statements of the Clubs reveal that the monthly dues charged members are reasonable and necessary in order to meet the operating expenses of the Clubs; and

WHEREAS, The Clubs plan to be open to non-members from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., (11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Daylight Time) such that one or the other of the Clubs is open every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday; and

WHEREAS, The Clubs' members have access to the Clubs' facilities 24 hours a day; and

WHEREAS, The demand for and use of the facilities by non-members is likely to be greater during the day than at night; and

WHEREAS, Security problems are greater at night; and

WHEREAS, It is desirable to allow the Clubs to provide access to non-members during the day only in order to avoid imposing on the Clubs the problems inherent in opening the facilities to non-members 24 hours a day; and

WHEREAS, The Clubs charge individual non-members $6.50 for individual day use access to the facilities; and

WHEREAS, This fee will allow individual non-members the use for the day of the Clubs' facilities, including sundeck, sauna, shower, handball court, gymnasium equipment and all areas open to members of the Clubs; and

9. DOLPHIN CLUB/SOUTH END ROWING CLUB RES. NO. 16169
REVIEW OF GROUP USAGE POLICY AND PROCEDURES (Continued) (Continued)

WHEREAS, Use of the Clubs' boats and other personal property will not be permitted by the non-member public upon payment of the daily access fee, but only by the Clubs' members in accordance with the Clubs' policies and procedures approved from time to time by this Commission; and

WHEREAS, The Clubs will pay a person an hourly salary to be available to let in individual non-members to the facilities pursuant to the Clubs' public access day use programs as from time to time approved by this Commission; and

WHEREAS, The Clubs are hereby required to keep a record of the number of non-members using the clubs' facilities and the dates and approximate times of such use; and

WHEREAS, The Clubs are hereby required to post a sign on the exterior of their facilities stating the hours of operation, telephone number to call for more information regarding the Clubs and their activities, and a telephone number for persons to call at the Recreation and Park Department, and the hours to call such number, if they have trouble gaining access to the Clubs' facilities, the wording of such sign to receive the prior approval of the Recreation and and Park Department staff; and

WHEREAS, Identification shall be required only of those persons whom the Clubs' attendants reasonably suspect are under 18 years of age and are attempting to gain access to the Clubs' facilities unescorted by an adult; and

WHEREAS, No other identification shall be required or requested of non-members in order to gain access to the Clubs' facilities, provided, however, that the Clubs may require non-members to sign a statement (1) informing such persons of the dangers of swimming in the San Francisco Bay and (2) waiving the right to sue the Club, City, for injuries or other losses; and

WHEREAS, Existing policy and leases with the Dolphin Club and South End Rowing Club do not address group public access but have been interpreted as access by individuals to use the Clubs facilities; and

WHEREAS, Concerns have been raised as to whether or not non-member groups ought to have the right to conduct events and use the Club's facilities, completely separate from events sponsored by the Clubs; and

WHEREAS, The Clubs are entitled to institute policies and procedures for the safe and orderly conduct of the facilities and the Clubs, which, among other considerations, may take into account safety, liability, and insurance issues that are raised by the use of Club facilities and personal property of the Clubs by third parties, and the implications of material increases in use by non-members for the Clubs' volunteer resources and economic resources; and

WHEREAS, As non-profit corporations, the Clubs are limited in the amount of income they can earn through unrelated business activities such as charges for other groups' uses of Club facilities and are required to insure that Clubs' assets are not used by any person or other entity for private gain; and

9. **DOLPHIN CLUB/SOUTH END ROWING CLUB** RES. NO. 16169
REVIEW OF GROUP USAGE POLICY AND PROCEDURES (Continued) (Continued)

WHEREAS, The Commission has expressed concern that six (6) month Club membership is required for participation in swimming event and the Clubs view this six (6) month requirement as an "incubation" period necessary to ensure that new participants adequately prepare themselves to safely handle the many risks of cold water San Francisco Bay swimming; and

WHEREAS, As separate corporate and operating entities, each of the Clubs has different thresholds of risk and different operating procedures; and

WHEREAS, For safety, financial, liability and other reasons, and in order to insure the orderly conduct and management of the Clubs and the Clubs' facilities, it is appropriate that each of the clubs be the sponsor of and in control of all events which use the Clubs' facilities or property; and

WHEREAS, Subject to approval by this Commission, in order to insure the safe and Orderly conduct of the Clubs and their facilities, the Clubs are entitled to adopt policies, procedures and rules with respect to individual, and group access, and for use of the Clubs' facilities and property; and

WHEREAS, Except as otherwise permitted or required by separate resolution of this Commission, the Clubs are subject to the requirements of Resolution #11189, dated March 16, 1978; and

WHEREAS, It is the intention of this Commission to make certain modifications, exceptions and additions to Resolution #11189 as herein provided;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Commission does hereby approve:

1. Annual membership fees as requested by the Clubs and approved by the Commission;

2. The Clubs' plan to open their facilities to non-members from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Daylight Time) such that one or the other of the Clubs is open every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday;

3. The charge to an individual non-member for use of the Clubs' facilities as requested by the Clubs and approved by the Commission;

4. Charge to new members of an initial fee as requested by the Clubs and approved by the Commission;

5. The Dolphin Club Policies and Procedures dated June 6, 1991, with Exhibits A through E thereto as operating procedures for that club with respect to individual, group and event access to Club facilities;

6. The South End Rowing Club Policies and Procedures dated June 26, 1991, as operating procedures for that club with respect to individual, group and event access to Club facilities.

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Note for the Record: The following amendments were made to Resolution No. 11189, adopted March 16, 1978.

RESOLUTION #16169a

RESOLUTION GOVERNING THE USE OF RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT PROPERTIES BY PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS.

WHEREAS, The policy of the Recreation and Park Commission is mandated by Section 3.552 of the San Francisco City Charter to promote and foster a program providing for organized public recreation of the highest standard; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of this resolution is to establish general policies for use of park property by non-profit organizations. Specific exceptions, modifications or additions to the requirements of this resolution that pertain to any particular non-profit organization or circumstance will be approved by the Commission in a separate resolution pertaining to that non-profit organization or circumstance;

WHEREAS, Park property dedicated to public use is for the benefit and enjoyment of all members of the public; and

WHEREAS, Park property is not lawfully used by private organizations or individuals to the exclusion of the general public for extended periods of time; and

WHEREAS, Private organizations can promote public recreational use of park property by organizing and directing recreational activities on park property;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That notwithstanding any provision in any existing lease or other agreement between the Recreation and Park Commission or Recreation and Park Department and a private organization concerning the use of park property, every lease to a private organization of park property dedicated to public use and every agreement whereby a private organization is allowed use such park property for an extended period of time is subject to the following conditions:

When the property leased or used by the private organization is open and available to members of the organization, it shall also be open and available to member's of the general public on the same terms as it is open and available to members of the organization. Thus, no member of the public shall be excluded from the property so long as such person uses the property for the recreational purpose for which the lease or agreement was entered into and so long as such person obeys all reasonable rules and regulations of the organization pertaining to proper use of the facilities.

If the property leased or used by the private organization is not open on a daily basis, or if the hours during which the property is open cannot accommodate the demands of all members of the public seeking to make use of the property, then the organization shall establish a procedure whereby non-members may reserve use of the property upon request. If a private organization has control of property which is used primarily for storage and opened only occasionally to its members, the organization shall establish a procedure whereby non-members are allowed use of the storage space and access to it for the same purposes and on the same terms as are members.

9. **DOLPHIN CLUB/SOUTH END ROWING CLUB** RES. NO. 16169a
REVIEW OF GROUP USAGE POLICY AND PROCEDURES (Continued (Continued)

Since making the property leased or used available to persons who are not members of the organization may involve additional expense, the organization may charge such persons a fee for use of facilities on the property, so long as such fee is reasonably related to the additional costs involved and are not so high as to make use of the facilities prohibitive.

Notice shall be posted conspicuously at all entrances, advising members of the public that the property is a public park facility operated on behalf of the Recreation and Park Commission by the organization, that the property is open to the general public on the same terms and conditions as it is available to members of the organization, of the hours during which the property is open or otherwise available, and of the procedures and fees for use, and that membership in the administering organization is open and available to all interested persons.

The charter of by-laws of the organization shall provide the following:

1. The purpose of the organization, so long as it occupies public park property, shall be to operate and maintain said property on behalf of the Recreation and Park Commission, in accordance with such policies, rules, regulations and purposes as said Commission may decree from time to time.

2. Applicants for membership to the organization shall not be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, religion, age, ancestry, ethnicity, national origin, sex, political affiliation, sexual orientation, physical handicap, marital status, medical condition (cancer related), conditions diagnosed as Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) or AIDS Related Conditions (ARC), or any other grounds prohibited by law. Each membership applicant shall be given a copy of these by-laws at the time he or she receives the application form.

3. Each application form for membership to the organization shall have printed upon it in a conspicuous place, the following statement:

This is a public park facility operated and maintained on behalf of the City and County of San Francisco for the benefit of the public desiring to use these public recreation facilities by (name of organization), a non-profit organization. It is unlawful for any such organization to discriminate in its membership application or acceptance procedures on the basis of race, color, religion, age, ancestry, ethnicity, national origin, sex, political affiliation, sexual orientation, physical handicap, marital status, medical condition (cancer related), conditions diagnosed as Acquired Immune Defficiency Syndrome (AIDS) or AIDS Related Conditions (ARC), or any other grounds prohibited by law. Any complaint concerning allegations of discrimination shall be reported to the Recreation and Park Department of the City and County of San Francisco, McLaren Lodge, Golden Gate Park.

9. DOLPHIN CLUB/SOUTH END ROWING CLUB RES. NO. 16169a
REVIEW OF GROUP USAGE POLICY AND PROCEDURES (Continued) (Continued)

4. An applicant for membership shall be rejected only for good cause and shall be notified in writing by an appropriate officer or committee of the reason for the rejection of the application and all money submitted with the application shall be returned to the applicant. An applicant shall be deemed accepted to membership in the organization unless, within 45 days from the date of application, the applicant is notified in writing of the rejection and the reason therefor. An applicant otherwise eligible but for lack of space shall be placed on a waiting list on a first come first serve basis.

5. Good cause for rejection of applicants for membership must be defined and must be based on a record of past acts or conduct demonstrating that the admission of the applicant would substantially impair the public recreational purpose of the property, the health, safety, or welfare of its intended users, or the preservation or maintenance of the property.

6. An applicant, having been rejected, shall be eligible to re-apply for membership within a specified period of time, not to exceed three (3) months, after rejection for membership.

7. No member may be expelled unless the organization provides a hearing in order to determine that good cause for expulsion exists. "Good cause" shall be defined according to the requirements set out in (5) above. The member shall be given at least thirty (30) days notice in writing of the purpose of the hearing, and the charges against such member, and the names of the parties making such charges. At such hearing, said member shall be given an opportunity to be advised of the charges, and an opportunity to meet them and to present a defense. A finding of good cause for expulsion shall be made and communicated, in writing, to such member. A finding of good cause for expulsion shall be subject to review, at the member's election, by the Recreation and Park Department of the City and County of San Francisco.

The only initiation fee charged new members shall be in the form of a membership application fee and such fee shall be reasonably related to the costs incurred in processing applications and performing any routine tasks necessary to make the facilities available to the new member. Annual dues shall be limited to the amount necessary to meet the current operating expenses and to maintain and preserve the property in accordance with all regulations, rules and policies of the Commission. Any other funds required by the organization shall be raised by special assessment, approved at a meeting of the membership of the organization, by a majority of the members present and notice of said meeting and its purpose, at which the special assessment is to be put to a vote, shall be given to each member at least two weeks prior to the date of the meeting. All fees, dues, assessments and membership application rates charged to members and daily use rates charged to non-members shall be subject to the approval of the Commission.

Refusal to enforce any policy or procedure required by the Commission concerning fees, dues, assessments, membership application rates, daily use rates or public access to property shall constitute grounds for immediate termination of the lease or agreement whereby the organization is using the property.

9. **DOLPHIN CLUB/SOUTH END ROWING CLUB REVIEW OF GROUP USAGE POLICY AND PROCEDURES** (Continued) RES. NO. 16169a (Continued)

This resolution shall apply to clubs or private organizations using or having access to park property on a daily basis for a period exceeding 29 days within a calendar year. It does not apply to:

1. Clubs or private organizations which lease or use park property for special events which do not exceed 29 days within a calendar year.

2. Leases with professional athletic organizations.

3. Any lease of Candlestick Park, Kezar Stadium, Kezar Pavilion, or Balboa Park Stadium.

4. The operation of a concession. (A concession shall be defined as an agreement whereby an individual, partnership or corporation is granted permission by the Recreation and Park Commission to provide goods or services on park property to the public at a price which enables such individuals, partnership or corporation to make a profit.)

10. **GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES ASSIGNMENT OF STALL PROCEDURES**

Approval of procedures for assignment of stalls for the Golden Gate Park Stables.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, explained that the issue has arisen as to how stalls should be assigned when they become vacant at the Golden Gate Park Stables. In the past there has been a so-called waiting list but to his knowledge and from those who have been boarders for a number of years, this list has never been used to assign a stall. In the past, the manager used his discretion in assignment of stalls. Staff originally recommended to abolish the waiting list and establish a lottery system. The Golden Gate Park Committee asked staff to review this system and develop a different process because they were concerned about someone who had been on the waiting list for 10-20 years. Staff proposed a policy which would: retain the waiting list for 18 months for assignment of the stalls. The Committee recommended to not grandfather any current non-residents or those who have multiple stalls and to give them 1 year to vacate their stalls. Currently, out of 53 stalls, 8 are rented by non-residents. The first 8 stalls which become vacant will be retained by management to increase the public trail rides as the previous operator, because of insurance problems, suspended operation of the public trail rides. The Golden Gate Park Committee recommended a resident only requirement, a 12 month period for non-residents to vacate their stalls, implementation of the waiting list for an 18 month period and then institution of the lottery system. The operator has expressed concern about this proposal because of the additional legal costs that could be incurred through an eviction process if a non resident chose not to vacate a stall. The City Attorney suggested options: The City Attorney could handle the eviction process; a rent credit could be given to the operator for the legal costs; or fees could be increased to cover the legal costs. Mr. Prindle recommended approval with the understanding that the Commission would reimburse the operator for these legal costs since the operator never contemplated this issue in the the lease agreement.

10. GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES
ASSIGNMENT OF STALL PROCEDURES (Continued)

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that it is possible that if all non-residents are evicted it will affect the economic ability of the operator and thus the economic terms of the original lease.

Mr. Prindle explained that the City Attorney has advised that if a public good is involved the Commission can adopt a resident only requirement. The Commission in the past has given preference to residents for its golf courses, Camp Mather and the Kezar Parking lot.

In response to President O'Connor's question, Mr. Prindle explained if a horse dies the boarder has six months in which to acquire another horse. But if a boarder sells a horse, the new owner of that horse does not have rights to the stall.

Vice President Eickman stated that the waiting list has never been approved by the Commission so it cannot be viewed as an official list.

Mr. Prindle explained that he has the waiting list which is a hand written document kept by the previous management for a number of years.

In response to Commissioner Chan's question, Mr. Prindle explained that each stall offers a 30 day tenancy which can be cancelled.

Commissioner Orr explained that while it is correct that there has never been a Commission action on the waiting list, the list was created in the past, people were encouraged to sign it, and it was updated several times to see if people wanted to remain on the list. He felt it was not a question of legality but rather a question of fairness because people have been led to believe that there was a waiting list.

Ann Barden, a student at the Stables for 3 years, urged the Commission to adopt the lottery system because it was the fairest system for those who were not fortunate enough to be on the waiting list. She further urged that current boarders be grandfathered in and that the Commission should rely and trust the judgment of the stables' management.

Betty Silverman, representing the Boarder's Club, explained that since the lease will expire on 12/31/91 staff should be developing the bid package and incorporating the assignment of stalls as part of the package. She explained that the controversy has arisen from a couple of people who have made statements about the waiting lists. She stated that in the past anyone who has persevered ended up with a stall and that it should be management's prerogative to decide which horses and people can have a stall.

Madeleine Carson, urged that non-residents and those with multiple stalls should be grandfathered in. She explained that she cares for an 18 year old horse who has been at the stables for 16 years and that the horse requires that he be hand-walked daily. If the horse was evicted she would not be able to care for him daily. She felt that those who have been on a waiting list for a long time should be considered but it was not fair to punish horses and people who have been at the stables for a number of years.

10. GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES
ASSIGNMENT OF STALL PROCEDURES (Continued)

Mary Moore, stated that the present Stables management team is very good and felt the Commission should support them and let them determine who should have a stall. She further explained that since there is only 4 months remaining on the present lease the current management team should be given the discretion to assign stalls. She further explained that she is one of the non residents who would be affected by the proposal and to give her 12 months to remove her horse from the stables was very unfair. She stated that she would fight this action if implemented and urged that the resident/multiple stall proposal be applicable for future stalls.

Polly Dignan, one of the operators at the Stables, adamantly opposed the clause to not grandfather non-residents and those with multiple stall because of probable lawsuits and litigation caused by this action. She stated that much time and money would be spent on legal problems and that she preferred to spend more time to expand the public riding program. She further explained that staff directed them to contact people from the waiting list and that they were pushed into this position.

Shay Morris, one of the operators at the Stables, explained that she contacted the people on the waiting list in May, 1990 and was never reimbursed for the time or cost of tracking people from all over the county. She explained that they agreed to, in the future, limit the stalls to non residents and to one stall per person. But she felt it was unfair to penalize people who are currently at the Stables because it is a trauma for the horse and will result in a costly lawsuit. She explained that if they get sued, they do not have the funds to respond to a lawsuit. She urged that a lottery be adopted for assignment of stalls as it was the fairest system.

Jeff Morris, one of the operators at the Stables explained that he submitted 2 letters which address their position on these issues. He stated that they do not have the resources to handle the possible problems of evicting a boarder. He explained that some of the affected boarders are their best tenants and have been there a long time.

Margaret Morrison, explained that in November, 1976 she and her husband moved to San Francisco and signed a waiting list at the Golden Gate Park Stables for a stall. She found it strange that others have received a stall while they still remain on the waiting list. She stated that it is public record that there is a waiting list and that they are number one on that list. She explained that if the first 8 stalls are assigned for the public riding program and the lottery system is implemented only after 18 months they will be still remain in the same position. She urged the Commission to consider their plight.

10. GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES
ASSIGNMENT OF STALL PROCEDURES (Continued)

Doug Morrison, thanked the Golden Gate Park Committee for understanding the core of the waiting list issue. He stated that he checked with the previous operator time to time and was always assured that there was a waiting list and that they were moving up on the list. Additionally, he was contacted by the present operator which verified his feeling that it was a valid waiting list. He said he was interested only in boarding my horse under the stipulation of the rules and regulations. Given the slow turnaround of stalls, he was quite worried that the 18 month time period would not assist him at all. He suggested that the 18 month time period be extended or that they alternate from the waiting list and the public riding system.

Carol Hamby, asked the Commission to be sympathetic to the older horses and felt that basically the lottery system is a good concept.

Dennis Hamby, stated that the riding public is actually increasing. He felt that those who are presently renting stalls at the stables should be grandfathered in, particularly those who have older horses. He explained that older horses are very delicate and moving them could be fatal.

Helen Norris, encouraged the Commission to adopt the lottery system immediately because it was fair. She stated that 10 years ago she attempted to be placed on the waiting list and was informed by the past operator, Joe Barnes, that the list was no good. She felt the list was never presented as an official document. She stated that the public riding program is expanding, serves the public well and that the operator needed additional stalls to sustain the program.

Jerry Lombardi, a member of the management team at Stables, understood why the Committee implemented the 18 month time period to use the waiting list but felt this action would create problems. He stated that during the 18 month period, there will be pressure at the Stable and that immediate implementation of the lottery system would eliminate that pressure. He felt that current boarders should not be evicted because it would create fights and interfere with the public business. Since the bid package for the new lease may be delayed, he assumed that they will continue on a month to month basis. Forcing them to evict people while they are the temporary manager, would result in expenses they could not recoup.

George Bates-Creel, chairperson of the City's Family Issues Task Force explained that she has been developing outreach programs for children. She stated that the stables offered 12 weeks of riding lessons for children. She felt the lottery system would be fair and urged the Commission to adopt it.

Joe Dignan, a shareholder in the Stables, stated that the waiting list is flawed since the person who is number 1 on the list has been on it for less time than someone who is ranked lower on the list. He felt that implementation of the lottery system would be the most efficient, equitable and fair way to distribute stalls. He felt to evict boarders would be derisive, and would be counter productive to the public riding program at the Stables.

10. GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES
ASSIGNMENT OF STALL PROCEDURES (Continued)

Elza Porter, stated that she has been a boarder at the Stables since 1976 and has witnessed a large turnover of horses. She felt the operator should be allowed to run the Stables and commented that nobody complaints about how the Stables are run. She felt that too much time is being wasted on this issue.

Laura Israel, a student at the Stables, has been on on the waiting list but did not think that the list entitled her to a stall. She felt that there is also an issue of fairness and that a tenant who has been at the Stables for a number of years should be considered.

Commissioner Ruiz explained that he viewed this matter as a fairness issue and did not think it was right to mislead people who were led to believe that they had an opportunity to receive a stall from the waiting list. He did not question the present management team but questioned the history of the waiting list. He clarified the point that it is not a legal issue but an issue of fairness.

Commissioner Orr concurred with the sentiments of Commissioner Ruiz. He noted that he has heard no complaints about the current management team and was trying to put in place a set of rules and regulations to end some of the abuses that have taken place in the past. He emphasized that it is a privilege, not a right, to have a stall in Golden Gate Park.

Commissioner Orr proposed that all boarders shall be grandfathered in for the life of the horse and that the first 8 stalls shall be assigned to the public riding program. After the first 8 stalls are assigned, the existing waiting list shall be used for a 12 month period. Regardless of what happens during that 12 month period, the lottery system will be implemented after this 12 month period.

President O'Connor clarified the point that if a non-resident's horse dies the stall would revert to the City; if it is a resident and the horse dies, the resident may remain.

Commissioner Eickman explained that he was very interested in adopting the lottery system but felt that Commissioner Orr's proposal was a very good compromise.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16170

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following procedures for assignment of stalls for the Golden Gate Park Stables:

- All non-residents and boarders with multiple stalls shall be grandfathered in for the life of the horse;
- The first 8 stalls which become vacant shall be assigned to the public riding program;
- After the 8 stalls are assigned for the public riding program, the existing waiting list shall be used for assignment of vacant stalls for a 12 month period;
- After the 12 month period has lapsed, the lottery system will be implemented for assignment of vacant stalls.

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Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, explained that the current Golden Gate Park Stables lease will expire on 12/31/91. He contemplated that a month-to-month extension to the lease will be requested and that it may take until 9/92 to have a new lease in place.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES
REVISED BOARDERS AGREEMENT

Approval of revised Boarders Agreement for Golden Gate Park Stables.

Assistant General Manager for Finance and Property, Ernie Prindle, explained that it was the right of the Commission and management to impose terms of agreement for the tenants at the Stables. The boarder's agreement provides for a 30 day tenancy subject to terms and conditions. An eviction process can be implemented if terms are violated. Some of the terms of the agreement include that the stalls are non-transferrable on a sale of a horse, if there is a death of a horse the stall will terminate at that time, and a residency requirement will be established.

Betty Silverman, representing the Boarders Club, stated that there has been a lot of discussion about the indemnification clause contained in the Boarder's agreement. She asked if the City Attorney had reviewed this clause.

Mr. Prindle stated that the City Attorney has not reviewed this clause and suggested that the boarder's agreement be approved subject to technical modifications to the indemnification clause.

Mary Moore, stated that there has been so many changes and modifications made to this agreement that she was unsure what was being proposed for adoption. She suggested that staff should work on the bid package before addressing the boarders agreement and rules and regulations.

Carol Hamby, stated that she agreed to certain changes to the boarders agreement but that she had the right to present her feelings. She stated that the agreement and rules and regulations are lengthy and felt they could be refined and more concise.

Dennis Hamby, stated that some boarders are reluctant to speak against the agreement because they are scared. He stated that some of the rules which allow for eviction with little or no reason are very unfair.

Jerry Lombardi, stated that the boarder agreement has been a subject of discussion for over a year and that they have held numerous meetings on this issue.

Connie Fox, stated that she had not had time to review the present boarders agreement proposal. She stated that there has not been a consensus on the agreement and felt the boarders should vote on it themselves.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES
REVISED BOARDERS AGREEMENT (Continued)

Commissioner Orr disagreed with those speakers who wanted more time to review the agreement since it had been modified slightly. He stated that it was the responsibility of the Commission and management to set the terms of the lease.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16171

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the revised Boarders Agreement for Golden Gate Park Stables subject to technical modifications that the City Attorney may make to the indemnification clause.

Note for the Record:
Due to disruption, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m. Items 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, and 17 will be calendared before the 8/15/91 Commission meeting.

12. GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES
RULES AND REGULATIONS

Approval of rules and regulations for the Golden Gate Park Stables.

Note: This item was not heard at the Commission meeting.

13. GOLDEN GATE PARK
HAIGHT ASHBURY NEIGHBORHOOD
COUNCIL (HANC) RECYCLING CENTER

Renewal of Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council (HANC) recycling permit at Kezar Stadium.

Note: This item was not heard at the Commission meeting.

14. FUHRMAN BEQUEST
LAND SALE

Approval of the proposed sale of 40 acres in Monterey County with the provision that the City shall retain all mineral rights to the property.

Note: This item was not heard at the Commission meeting.

15. JUSTIN HERMAN PLAZA
DEMOLITION OF EMBARCADERO FREEWAY

Ratification to permit Caltrans to occupy a portion of Justin Herman Plaza in conjunction with the demolition of the Embarcadero Freeway subject to conditions.

Note: This item was not heard at the Commission meeting.

16. PERMIT AND RESERVATIONS POLICY
SIX MONTH REVIEW

Review of the Permit and Reservations policy for use of facilities under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department as required by Park Code Section 7.03-IV, Resolution 15902. (NOTE: The Commission may convene in Executive Session pursuant to Section 54956.9(a) of the California Government Code in the matter of People of the State of California ex rel Louise H. Renne, City Attorney versus Food Not Bombs.)

Note for the Record: The Commission convened in Executive Session from 4:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. to discuss pending litigation on Item 16. The meeting was adjourned due to disruption at 4:35 p.m. Therefore, Item 16 was not heard. It will be calendared for consideration at the 8/15/91 Commission meeting.

17. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

Acceptance of the following gifts valued at $36,573.09, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From the Pier 39 Limited Partnership, $3,000.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for the reproduction of the Department's Summer 1991 Schedule of Classes and Activities.

b. From the San Francisco Foundation, $1,500.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for the summer concerts held at Boeddeker Park.

c. From the San Francisco Foundation, $5,000.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for the Tenderloin Recreation Center.

d. From Pacific Gas and Electric, $7,000.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for the reproduction of the Department's Summer 1991 Schedule of Classes and Activities.

e. From Alice Kobayashi, through the Strybing Arboretum Society, two-25 year old tree ferns (Dicksonia fibrosa; Dicksonia antarctica), valued at $1,200.00 for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

f. From Ikebana International, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter, through the Strybing Arboretum Society, $9,500.00, for the renovation of the Moonviewing Garden, for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

g. From the Strybing Arboretum Society, miscellaneous gifts (interns/workstudy students, conference attendance, plants and seeds, materials and supplies, and banners, signage and labeling), valued at $9,093.09, for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

h. From Shooting Star Propagation, 10 flats of perennials, valued at $280.00, for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

Note: This item was not heard at the Commission meeting.

18. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

19. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Note: This item was not heard at the Commission meeting.

20. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

Recreation Program and Mather Committee Meeting of June 26, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of July 1, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of July 2, 1991
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of July 3, 1991

Note: This item was not heard at the Commission meeting.

21. ADJOURNMENT

The 660th Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

San Francisco, California
July 25, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

THURSDAY, JULY 25, 1991 - 4:00 P.M.

The Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, July 25, 1991, at 4:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President (noted present at 4:55 p.m.)
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz
Absent:
Commissioner Trent Orr

2. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
RULES AND REGULATIONS

Approval of revisions to the rules and regulations for the Marina Small Craft Harbor.

Marina Manager, Gary Davis, explained that this item is a request to revise the Marina Yacht Harbor Rules and Regulations which were last revised in 1972. Some of the revisions include:

°a requirement that owners absent from the Marina provide proof of ownership and location of their vessels;
°a clause which allows for the cancellation of berthing agreements if one is delinquent more than three times within any three year period;
°a requirement for those who wish to operate a business in the Marina furnish proof that they they have obtained the necessary licenses and liability insurance naming the City as additional insured;
°a requirement that tenants demonstrate that their vessels are navigable.

Mr. Davis proposed that these rules and regulations be implemented at the end of the September-December quarterly billing cycle, effective 1/1/92.

2. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued)

Mr. Davis explained that he held two meetings with the San Francisco Marina Yacht Harbor Association on this matter and a public meeting was held on all of the issues affecting the Marina on July 16, 1991.

Commissioner Chan suggested that all references to "calendar days" be changed to "business days" so that the language is consistent throughout the rules and regulations. He asked if a berth is sublet can the rates charged be modified upward or downward. He found no language addressing this situation.

Superintendent of Parks, Barney Barron, explained that there is no way for staff to monitor or enforce any third party sublet agreements.

Mr. Davis explained that these revisions provide for more stringent enforcement.

Charles Stern, a tenant at the Harbor and secretary of the Marina Yacht Harbor Association asked for clarification on Section 21C which states that "...the Marina Manager shall be the sole judge as to the seaworthiness of a vessel..." He wanted to know if one could appeal to the Department or Commission if there is a disagreement on this rule or any other matter. He explained that if there is no such stipulation he wanted an appeal procedure to be incorporated into the rules and regulations.

Mara Rosales, Deputy City Attorney, explained that there is no implicit right of appeal but if there was a concern about Mr. Davis' judgment on a particular issue, one could voice their concern to the Commission during public comment or discuss the issue with the General Manager.

Ettore Borradori, stated that he wanted to be afforded more time to review the revisions to the rules and regulations and to discuss them with his attorney as he found them confusing.

Don Koors, President of the Marina Yacht Harbor Association, explained that he has been working with the Marina Manager reviewing the proposed revisions to the rules and regulations. He felt it was proper to update these rules since they have not been revised in the last 15-20 years.

Bill Belmont, pointed out that Section 20C states that "...no signs...shall be posted anywhere in the Marina without receiving prior approval..." He asked if the Commission would strictly enforce this provision since many events held at the Marina use signs to promote the events. He explained that the harbor does not receive any revenues for events held at the Marina even though the berth holders pay for the gardening staff. He felt that those who have a permit to use the Marina Green area should also be required to conform to these rules and regulations.

2. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued)

Mellard Phelps, stated that he has been on the waiting list for the west harbor for a 40' slip since 1972. He stated that the transfer policy allows favoritism over those on the outside waiting list because a berth holder may sell their boat and the slip remains with the boat. He stated that other marinas have rules which state that upon the sale of the boat the slip may be transferred for a period of 6 months. He felt that the rules and regulations should address the transfer policy in a similar manner.

Denis Belfortie, spoke about Section 21 of the rules and regulations which states "...The Marina Manager shall be the sole judge as to the seaworthiness of the vessel." He explained that there are many boats in the harbor that are not considered navigable but are seaworthy. He explained that adoption of this rule would give the Marina Manager the discretion to remove boats from the Harbor that he did not think were seaworthy. He was opposed to this rule.

Paul C. Cahill, stated that he has been on the waiting list for 14 years and wanted to discuss Section 3D, the sale of berths. He felt it was unfair for people to sell their berths because this practice allows private people, who have been at the harbor for a number of years, to sell their boat and pocket the money for the sale of that berth. Those who are on the waiting list never receive a berth because of this insider trading practice. He asked that the transfer provision only be held for a 6 month period so that the boat can be sold but not the berth.

In response to President O'Connor's question, Mr. Davis explained that the transfer policy has been in place since the harbor started. He elected to not remove the transfer policy because there is a racing fleet at the Marina and the majority of its members have berths in the Marina. It is the oldest racing fleet in San Francisco Bay and if these berths cannot transfer it would severely affect that organization.

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question, Mr. Davis explained that there are nearly 100 boats in the racing fleet and 700 boats in the entire Marina. He felt that increasing the transfer fees significantly and the adoption of the revised rules and regulations should open up more berths to those who are on the waiting list.

Marti McMahon, discussed Section 19 Charter Vessels. She explained that she uses Berth 11 for the California Spirit, a charter vessel. She asked what the intent of Section 19 was and how it would affect present tenants that have charter vessels.

Mr. Davis explained that Ms. McMahon has a previous agreement with the Department and this provision would not affect her use of Gate 11.

Pete Shrive, a tenant at harbor supported the proposed rules and regulations.

2. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued)

Susan Ridley, discussed Section 3D, the transfer policy. She reiterated the comments made by other speakers on this matter. She felt that the Commission should consider that the Marina is public property and that the current transfer policy provides a mechanism for private financial gain. She has been on the waiting list for 17 years and the transfer policy prevents any movement from the external waiting list.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that he was not pleased with the present form of the transfer policy but felt it could be reviewed at a later date. He was prepared to adopt the rules and regulations but wanted to review the movement of the waiting list. If the transfer policy prevents movement from the outside waiting list he would consider modification of this section of the policy.

Commissioner Chan stated that he was not pleased with the present transfer policy because the boat is the applicant rather than an individual. He did not like the concept of a berth being marketed at a higher price in order to "get into the Harbor". He was satisfied with the balance of the revisions to the rules and regulations.

Commissioner Guggenhime asked that a study be done between now and December, 1991 on the movement of the waiting list, both internal and external and the transfer of boats.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16172

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the revisions to the rules and regulations for the Marina Small Craft Harbor, effective 1/1/92, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That a report will be prepared for the December 1991 Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee meeting outlining the transfer policy and its effect on the movement of the internal and external waiting lists.

3. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
BERTHING AGREEMENT

Approval of the berthing agreement for the Marina Yacht Harbor.

Marina Manager, Gary Davis, explained that this berthing agreement will better define the responsibilities of both the berth holders and the Marina. He outlined some of the significant changes to the berthing agreement including a change in the non-exclusive use clause, security deposit, and the indemnification and liability clause. This insurance clause will now require that the tenant name the City as an additional insured on their policy. He explained that the Harbor Tenants Association was opposed to this provision and questioned the ability of obtaining such insurance. Mr. Davis submitted letters from 3 insurance carriers in the Bay Area that provide such insurance. Another change is contained in the limitation of the partnerships which will prevent people from bypassng the transfer fee and waiting list.

3. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
BERTHING AGREEMENT (Continued)

Commissioner Guggenhime asked Mr. Davis to clarify the partnership section. Mr. Davis explained that one can have as many partners as one wants as long as they are equal partners, or there can be one major holder with many partners.

In response to Commissioner Eickman's question, Mr. Davis explained that the Department has berthing agreements with all the permanent tenants in the Harbor.

Bill Belmont, explained that a number of suggestions were voiced at the 7/16/91 public hearing regarding the insurance section of the berthing agreement. He explained that the Marina has not had this policy and it is probable that it should have some kind of liability policy. He stated that the condition of the Marina is such which would make it difficult to obtain insurance coverage. He also stated that there are a large number of windboats in the west harbor and it is difficult to obtain insurance for these boats. Insurance firms are also reluctant to insure older boats. He proposed that the City develop a policy within the berthing agreement to provide, for an additional fee, some form of insurance through itself since it is self assured.

Al Cavey, explained that tenants pay 3 months in advance which seemed to him to be a good form of a security deposit. He asked was the berth holder now being asked to carry insurance to cover something that they are renting - the dock, gangplank, etc. He stated that they would now be responsible for areas they are not required to maintain.

Deputy City Attorney, Mara Rosales, explained that the purpose of the insurance is to protect both the berth holder and the City from any injury to a third party that happens on a vessel or the rental property. She explained that the demised premises is not only the boat but the land. This provision would name the City as a co-insured because the berth holder has their property on City property.

Denis Belfortie, stated that the tenant is insured by the City now and that the City was asking them for additional insurance. He felt the inclusion of this clause was a result of a claim at the Marina. He stated that most people in the harbor have insurance but it will be difficult for some boatowners to obtain additional insurance.

Doug Carroll, stated that it would be wiser to require each boatowner to have a certificate of insurance. He was aware of only 2 or 3 harbors that require additional insured endorsements and while some insurance carriers will write additional insurance, not all of them will. He commented that this insurance requirement will be a massive administrative task to monitor.

Emeric Kalman, explained that he attempted to obtain insurance but was unable to do so because his boat is an older model. He stated that they have a landlord/tenant relationship with the City and that major changes to the berthing agreement should be reviewed by each boatowner. He felt that the City should include an umbrella insurance policy, and add the cost to the boatowner's rent.

3. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
BERTHING AGREEMENT (Continued)

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that he was concerned about the insurance issue because it was not his intent to evict boatowners who cannot obtain insurance. Since this agreement will not go into effect until December, he suggested that if enough boatowners who have been good tenants cannot get insurance the Commission will have to address this issue at a later date.

Mr. Davis stated that he has been assured by the insurance firms he contacted that this additional coverage is merely an endorsement on one's own insurance policy, and often there is no extra cost. He further stated that if the tenant cannot obtain insurance because of the condition of the vessel, then those instances should be addressed on a case-by-case basis.

Commissioner Eickman stated that the City is self insured and that if anything happens at the Marina the City is liable. This insurance method will protect the City because it has been sued on a number of occasions. He felt the provision was a reasonable expectation and noted that even though it is getting more expensive to own a boat, as a driver, he too has noticed a rising cost in his car insurance.

Commissioner Chan noted that the suggestion of an endorsement is not unreasonable. He sympathized with those who have said they would not be able to obtain insurance. He was prepared to approve this item and to view the insurance issue on a case-by-case basis if necessary.

Ms. Rosales clarified the point that all references to "Marina" in Section 9A and 9B of the berthing agreement should be changed to read "City and County of San Francisco."

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, tne following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16173

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the berthing agreement for the Marina Yacht Harbor, effective 1/1/92.

4. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
WAITING LIST

Approval of waiting list procedures for the Marina Yacht Harbor.

Marina Manager, Gary Davis, explained that these procedures have been drafted to provide an equitable method of distributing berths at the Marina as they become available with the intent to eventually streamline the waiting list. Following adoption of these procedures, instructions will be mailed to all applicants requesting that they complete new applications and pay a registration fee if they wish to remain on the waiting list. After allowing 60 calendar days for applicants to respond, the new waiting list will be compiled using the applications of the respondents. The applicants will maintain precedence on the list according to the original date of application. The mailing will also enclose a copy of the new waiting list procedures and the rules and regulations and notify them that they will be expected to comply with the criteria in these documents.

4. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
WAITING LIST (Continued)

Mr. Davis explained that there is a change to the internal move list which will provide that tenants who want to move to a different berth within the Marina shall be honored as described in these procedures but the internal list will be phased out by attrition. The intent is to have one list of applicants which will include current and prospective tenants and the requests will be honored on the basis of precedence of their request. He recommended that an $25.00 annual registration fee be instituted.

In response to Commissioner Eickman's question, Mr. Davis explained that there are approximately 100 people on the internal waiting list. Berths will be assigned as they become available on an alternating basis between the internal move list and the external move list.

In response to Commissioner Chan's question, Mr. Davis stated that the waiting list is a matter of public information and that he proposed, upon completion of the mailing, to maintain a log with enumerated pages for interested parties. He also proposed that the top 2 people on the waiting list for every berth size be published in the quarterly newsletter.

In response to Commissioner Ruiz's question, Mr. Davis explained that there are over 1100 on the external waiting list.

Some members of the public stated that they were on the waiting list but did not receive any notification about the waiting list.

Commissioner Ruiz was pleased to see that the waiting list procedures were being established but was concerned about the number of people on the list. He explained that he was opposed to the yearly fee particularly if one has no time frame on when a berth would become available. He felt it was more equitable to establish a one-time filing fee.

In response to President O'Connor's question, Mr. Davis stated that 6-10 berths are released back to the harbor each year. He noted that other harbors have similar waiting list procedures.

President O'Connor suggested that upon adoption of this item staff should send a letter notifying those on the waiting list of the expected yearly turnover of berths at the Marina so they would know the likelihood of obtaining a berth.

Mr. Davis stated that this waiting list procedure will provide information as to who is really interested in being a tenant in the Marina.

Kevin Boden, explained that he has been on the waiting list for 17 years. He suggested that the Commission consider, in light of the extremely poor reputation of the operation of the harbor's waiting list, an independent audit. The cost of this audit would be borne by the Department and would verify the manner in which the list has been used in the past and establish a clear, public procedure as to how it will be used in the future. He explained that nobody has ever seen a complete and comprehensive list nor has the list shown how people obtained berths.

4. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
WAITING LIST (Continued)

Bob Warren, stated that he wanted to know if seniority was the only basis to determine berth eligibility. He has been on the list more than 16 years. He was offered a berth in 1987 and was not ready for the slip when it was offered and expressed such information to the Marina Manager. He understood that, by virtue of his seniority, he would be called for the next available 35' slip. He commented that he was at one time number 1 and is now number 20 on the waiting list. He agreed that an independent audit was necessary to answer some of these questions.

Janette Barroca, stated that she has been on the waiting list since October 1974 and has visited the Marina Manager's Office periodically to check on her position. At one time she was #27 and six months later she was #54. She also commented that she never received any notice about the waiting list. She was opposed to the annual registration fee and felt a one time fee of $25.00 was fair.

Bob Cahill, stated that the transfer policy results in very few berths becoming available to those on the external waiting list. He felt that people on the external waiting list should receive berths, as they become available, on a ratio of 3 to 1 (3 from the external; 1 from the internal). He stated that people on the internal waiting list have all of the advantages. He also felt there should be a one time $25.00 fee to be on the waiting list.

Bill Belmont, urged the Commission to adopt some type of waiting list policy. He stated that in 1985 there were 2300 people on the list and when the previous Marina Manager sent notice to those on the list over 750 cards were returned. He stated that the list is strange because it is referenced by berth and size and therefore the list varies according to berth size. He urged the Commission to adopt a waiting list procedure with a fee because it would disuade uninterested parties. He felt the audit would resolve many issues.

Andre Pechoultires, stated that a full-time clerk would be required to monitor the annual fees and to handle the insurance requirement. He stated that there is a major administrative task to handle these procedures. He further stated that he is on the waiting list and never received any notice from the Marina Manager's Office.

Mel Phelps, stated that he was not opposed to the proposed procedures as outlined but noted that he, too, has been bounced from #2 to #20 on the waiting list. He applauded the present Marina Manager's attempt to resolve this issue. He proposed that an independent audit be done and that an activity list be published quarterly detailing the movement of the list. He explained that he has been on the list for 19 years and found the list to be mysterious.

Susan Ridley, stated that she applied for a berth in 1975 and was told that she was #371 on the list. She has never been able to ascertain what her number is since that time and has been offered every evasive answer by the Marina Manager's Office. She applauded the recommendation for an audit and was concerned about charging a yearly fee to be on the waiting list, particularly since the list moves so infrequently.

4. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
WAITING LIST (Continued)

Donal O'Sullivan, explained that when people begin boating they are enthusiastic and then become less interested. He commented that on a good sailing day 90% of the boats remain in the Marina because many are holding onto the boats because the berth is worth money. He stated that it costs a considerable amount of money to obtain a boat and a berth in addition to the transfer fee. He suggested that perhaps the waiting list should be updated monthly and those who are really interested in obtaining a berth will take the time to sign up on a monthly basis.

Timothy Budziak, suggested that a lottery system should be considered for the waiting list as it would be fair for everyone. He has been a boat owner since 1977 and purchased a boat in order to obtain a berth. Like others, when he leaves the Marina he wanted to also have a commodity to sell along with that boat.

In response to President O'Connor's question regarding the validity of the list, Mr. Davis stated that only one mailing has been done on the entire waiting list. He explained that he inherited a box of cards with typed names and some dates that can be verified. He could not guarantee that all of the cards were in place.

Commissioner Guggenhime made a motion to adopt the waiting list procedure with a one-time registration fee, including those on the current waiting list, in order to remain on the list. He suggested that the Marina Manager institute an activity/move list which will be published in the Marina Manager's Office on a quarterly basis (January, April, July and October) of each year. The waiting list shall be available in binder form or posted during the Marina Manager's Office hours commencing with the effective date of the new procedures. He proposed that under Item #4 the words "by written notice" and "in writing" be inserted into this section. He further was prepared to charge a $75-100 one time fee. Commissioner Ruiz seconded this motion.

Commissioner Eickman stated that the waiting list has been a nightmare; part of the reason is because of insufficent staff to administer the list and the rules and regulations. He suggested instituting a set fee for a 5 year period. At the end of the 5 year period interested people would renew or be deleted from the list. He felt that there needed to be a termination date to the waiting list so that people will indicate whether or not they are serious on remaining on the list.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16174

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the following waiting list procedures for the Marina Yacht Harbor, effective 1/1/92: a (1) registration fee of $50.00 for a 5 year period (2) an activity/move list will be published in the Marina Manager's Office on January, April, July, and October of each calendar year; (3) the waiting list shall be made available in a binder form and/or be posted at the Marina Manager's Office during normal workday hours upon commencement of the waiting list procedures.

5. MARINA YACHT HARBOR
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Approval of a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $112,306 to provide for improved harbor security at the Marina Yacht Harbor.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

6. GOLDEN GATE YACHT CLUB
LEASE/IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Approval of a 40-year lease with the Golden Gate Yacht Club and conceptual approval of improvement plan for Golden Gate Yacht Club.

Director of Property Management, Lucinda Pope Scanlan, explained that this item is a proposed 40 year lease for the Golden Gate Yacht Club. The Club has occupied the site at the Marina Yacht Harbor since 1939 but there has never been an actual lease agreement between the Department and the Club. Discussions on a lease agreement have taken place for the last few years. The Club sustained significant damage in the 1989 Loma Prieta earthquake and, on their own, applied for a loan through the Small Business Administration Disaster Assistance Section (SBA), to make major renovations to the building. The SBA has approved a $370,000 loan pending completion of an acceptable lease agreement with the Department. The club members have agreed to spend $500,000 to upgrade the site. Terms of the lease include a rent structure which is comparable to that which is charged for a private club on park property and for other yacht harbors surveyed by the Department. The Department anticipates receiving approximately $18,000 in revenues a year and the title to all real property improvements will revert to the Department at the expiration of the lease. Ms. Scanlan explained that the public may access the facility by paying a day use fee. The lease terms were approved by the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee in June, 1991. Staff then returned to the negotiating table with the club and further discussions were held which resulted in a 40 year lease term rather than the 30 year lease term recommended at the Committee. She recommended approval of the lease.

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question, staff clarified the point that the only substantive change from the June Committee recommendation was the term of the lease.

Jerry Langkammerer, a member of the Golden Gate Yacht Club, and the architect of the improvements, presented the capital improvement plan. The earthquake damage to the club resulted in the barge being separated from the building. The building required repair of dry rot, insullation of windows, and work to make the facility handicap accessible. The Club decided to replace the foundation, put the barge back into place, rebuild the existing second level, construct a new addition to part of the second level, and build a new floating dock. The addition will add about 6' in height to the building. Restrooms will be enlarged and made handicap accessible, and additional storage and shower facilities will be added to the club. The new dining room will have a bay view. He explained that the Club held 2 open houses, and met with the Marina Homeowners Association and received no opposition to the renovation plan.

6. **GOLDEN GATE YACHT CLUB**
LEASE/IMPROVEMENT PLAN (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16175

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a 40-year lease with the Golden Gate Yacht Club and conceptual approval of the improvement plan for Golden Gate Yacht Club.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Guggenhime, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Eickman

6a. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT
A 'LA CARTE, A 'LA PARK

Consideration of request to reserve Sharon Meadow in Golden Gate Park from Saturday, August 31, 1991 through Tuesday, September 3, 1991 (Labor Day Weekend) for the Seventh Annual A 'La Carte, A 'La Park.

Assistant Recreation Supervisor, Sharon Moyer, explained that this item is a request from Michael Levine, of Events West, to hold A'La Carte, A'La Park at Sharon Meadow, in Golden Gate Park on Labor Day weekend. In accordance with the Permit and Reservation Policy, the Commission must approve all multiple day events.

Commissioner Guggenhime enumerated the terms of the permit and noted that the terms are the same as last year.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16176

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to reserve Sharon Meadow in Golden Gate Park from Saturday, August 31, 1991 through Tuesday, September 3, 1991 (Labor Day Weekend) for the Seventh Annual A 'La Carte, A 'La Park.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Guggenhime, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Eickman

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT (Continued)

Kevin Boden, discussed his concern about the safety and maintenance at the Marina and suggested that the level of maritime safety is less than adequate. He asked the Commission to investigate why there is no public radio at the Marina. He stated that the Marina is ill constructed and does not generate sufficient income to pay for its own maintenance. Docks are not maintained and there are dangerous areas in the harbor. He felt that ad valorem taxes should be used to finance the Marina.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that under the terms by which the land passed to the City, the revenues generated at the Harbor remain in the harbor. She explained that there are no ad valorem taxes that go into the Marina.

8. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of President O'Connor, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Ray Towbis, of the Sheriff's Department, who passed away recently.

The General Manager asked that the meeting adjourn in memory of J. D. Jones, gardener supervisor, who passed away recently.

The General Manager asked that the meeting adjourn in memory of Joan Atkinson, a gardener in Golden Gate Park, who passed away recently.

The General Manager asked that the meeting adjourn in memory of Mike Phillips, a former employee of the Department who passed away recently.

The General Manager asked that the meeting adjourn in memory of Doris Kahn, an active member of Friends of Recreation and Park, who passed away recently.

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

San Francisco, California
August 15, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

661ST REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, AUGUST 15, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Sixty-First Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, August 15, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (noted present at 2:05 p.m.)
Absent:
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 18, 1991, were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the minutes of the Special Meeting of July 25, 1991, were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns submitted the following report:

KEZAR OPENING

Final completion of the Kezar Stadium project has been delayed once again. Currently there is a problem with receiving approval from the fire inspectors. The Department of Public Works now estimates that the occupancy permit will not be ready until sometime after Labor Day. Assuming that there are no other serious delays, the official opening of Kezar Stadium will be held on Friday, September 13, 2:00 p.m. Mayor Agnos is scheduled to be present. The program will include simple festivities and a ribbon cutting to dedicate the stadium and to announce a fundraising drive to purchase needed equipment. The ceremony will be followed by the St. Ignatius/Washington High School football game. It would be my intention to open the stadium for use and "permitted" activities once the permit of occupancy is issued rather than wait for September 13.

OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (OES) FACILITY AT MARGARET HAYWARD PLAYGROUND

The construction project to create a new City Office of Emergency Services adjacent to Margaret Hayward Playground is scheduled to begin next week. The target completion date for the exterior construction is October 17. Interior work is scheduled to be completed by the end of December. The Department of Public Works (DPW) would like to stage construction on Recreation and Park Department property located between the children's playground and Lang Field. This property is used for non-league football, baseball and soccer and is in a deteriorated condition. The Department does not have sufficient staff or funding to renovate this area. Staff is currently negotiating with DPW to determine whether they would be willing to pay for the renovation of this field in return for allowing construction to be staged on the property for a three-month period.

ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAM

The current budget for the Recreation and Park Department for gas and electricity is slightly over $1 million. In an attempt to reduce these costs, the Department has contacted the City's Bureau of Energy Conservation and requested assistance in the development of an energy conservation program. The goal of this program is a 15% reduction in energy consumption over the next year.

To achieve this goal we have identified 59 facilities which are responsible for over 75% of this department's use of gas and electricity. The Bureau of Energy Conservation will work with us to assess these facilities and recommend measures to reduce energy consumption. The primary focus of these efforts will be on conversion of electrical fixtures and an assessment of the efficiency of our gas boilers. Our property management section is also reviewing all of our current leases and concession agreements to determine whether we are being billed for energy costs which are the responsibility of our tenants.

The costs of energy are paid from revenues generated by the Department. If we are successful in this conservation program, we will be able to divert approximately $150,000 from energy costs to other Department programs and services.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

MISSION TASK FORCE MEETING, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14

Last night, Nan Neal, Esther Kwan, Ron de Leon and I met with the Mayor's Mission Task Force to assess Recreation and Park Department facilities and programs in the Mission District. At your place you will find a background paper that was prepared for distribution at that meeting. Issues raised concerned adequate bilingual staff, recruitment procedures, condition of facilities, police problems and capital improvements. Three facilities -- Mission Recreation Center, Mission Playground and Folsom Playground -- were the main areas of concern. A subcommittee will meet with Nan Neal and Ron de Leon in the coming months to monitor progress on the various issues raised.

BLACK RHINO BIRTH AT ZOO

July 31, 1991 marked the birth of the tenth black rhino born at the San Francisco Zoo. The parents of the 70 pound baby rhino are Ellie and Stonewall. A name contest is now taking place with the public being asked for appropriate suggestions. Staff is very pleased with this new addition to our Zoo family, since this animal is an endangered species. You will recall that in June Kenya's "Rhino Man," Michael Werikhe, visited San Francisco as part of his walk around the world to make people aware of the vanishing black rhino. The Zoo is very proud of its efforts and success in the preservation of this very endangered species.

JUAREZ SOLOS

You will recall that I reported on Juarez, the first bald eagle to be born at the San Francisco Zoo, who was sent to a holding tower on Santa Catalina Island to await his release in the wild. Last week Juarez was released and instead of remaining in close proximity to the island, he headed for the mainland. However, not being ready for such a long flight he tired and landed on a passing freighter. Juarez's identification band on his leg led the freighter personnel to attempt to bring him back to Catalina. Apparently Juarez wasn't ready to go back to the island and took off again to continue his flight. Tiring out for the second time, he splashed in the water to be picked up by a friendly fisherman. This time Juarez was brought to the Rehab Station on the mainland, where John Aiken, his surrogate parent from the San Francisco Zoo, awaited his arrival and returned with him to Santa Catalina. The latest news is that Juarez has been released again and is "hanging out" on Santa Catalina. Apparently he doesn't want to repeat his past journey.

HOOF TRIMMING OF GIRAFFE AND MUSK OX

"Chester" the male giraffe has had his hoofs trimmed for the first time. An exceedingly difficult procedure, this was accomplished by training the giraffe to go into a restraining chute where he was kept occupied while the veterinarian and ferrier (a person trained to work on hoof-stock feet) trimmed his overgrown hoofs. Hoof-trimming was also done on the musk ox herd. The overgrowth of hoofs is due to a combination of factors: the substrait is soft, some of their diet is a bit rich, but in this case mostly due to not getting as much movement as they would in the wild.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

SAN FRANCISCO FLOWER SHOW

This year the Annual San Francisco Flower Show will be held August 23 - 25 at the County Fair Building. Since no State funds were received for the show this year, it is being produced by the San Francisco Flower Show, Inc., with assistance and cooperation from the Recreation and Park Department. Your invitation to this event is at your place.

PIER 7 RECEIVES AWARD

The renovation of Pier 7, a joint project with the Port of San Francisco and California Fish and Game and designed by ROMA Architects, is one of 16 recipients of the "Excellence on the Waterfront Honor Award" selected by The Waterfront Center, Washington, D.C. The public announcement of the winners will be made on October 11 at the Urban Waterfronts '91 National Conference in Washington. Since a representative from our department will not be able to attend the ceremony, our award certificate will be mailed. This project was funded through the Open Space Program, The Wildlife Conservation Board, Federal Land and Water Conservation Program, the Coastal Conservancy, and a State block grant for a total cost of $6,568,581.

SENIOR SESSION AT CAMP MATHER

One hundred seventy-seven seniors will spend the week of August 24-28 at Camp Mather. Composition of the sign-ups was as follows: 38 from Noe Valley, 54 from Visitacion Valley, 59 from Sunset Recreation Center, and 26 from "Grandparents Who Care," Bay View/Hunter's Point. The senior group always seems to enjoy their stay at Mather. Each year I receive letters expressing this feeling and also commending staff on its competence and caring attitude.

FRIENDS FIELD DAY

Friends of Recreation and Parks Field Day was held on Friday, August 2, 1991 at Sharon Meadow. This year over 2,000 children participated in a day of fun and a variety of activities including Make-a-Circus, face painting, button making, arts and crafts, carrousel rides, and the playmobile. Participating in the event were groups from the Afterschool Program, recreation centers and playgrounds, Day Care Centers, Day Camps and local parents and children.

MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT (Under $5,000)

Claimant	Amount	Claimant	Amount
Cachopo	$ 253.56	Burns	423.47
Yih	329.90	Lau	1,000.00
Petrovich	4,500.00	MacBride	19.26
Gimbert	299.90	Pierson	146.65
Last	73.83	Gannon	550.00
Kaplan	40.00		

3. **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT** (Continued)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, August 28, 1991	Kezar Stadium Operation and Permit Policy Public Meeting, McLaren Lodge, 7:00 P.M.
Monday, September 2, 1991	Labor Day Holiday
Tuesday, September 3, 1991	Golden Gate Park Committee, 3:00 P.M (tour), 4:00 P.M. (meeting), McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, September 4, 1991	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:30 P.M. (tour), 5:00 P.M. (meeting), S.F. Zoo
Thursday, September 5, 1991	Parks and Planning Committee, 9:00 A.M., McLaren Lodge
Thursday, September 5, 1991	Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, 4:00 P.M., McLaren Lodge
Sunday, September 8, 1991	Opera in the Park, Sharon Meadow"

4. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. **PERSONNEL MATTERS** RES. NO. 16177

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period July 5, 1991 through August 2, 1991.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

b. **GOLDEN GATE PARK** RES. NO. 16178
STOW LAKE CONCESSIONAIRE
INCREASE IN FOOD AND BEVERAGE PRICES

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the increases in Stow Lake Snack Bar food and beverage prices commensurate with new State "snack tax".

Product	Current Price	Approved Price
Hot Dog	$1.75	$1.80
Popcorn (pink)	1.00	1.10
(white)	1.25	1.35
Chips	.75	.80
Icee	1.25	1.35

c. **SAN FRANCISCO LEAGUE OF URBAN GARDENERS** RES. NO. 16179
MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the modification of the SLUG contract for continued development of community gardens at a cost of $43,000.

d. **SAN FRANCISCO FORTY-NINERS** RES. NO. 16180
FOOTBALL PROGRAMS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the increase in the price of San Francisco Forty-Niners football programs for regular season games from $3.00 to $3.25, post season games from $5.00 to $5.50, commensurate with new State tax.

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Note for the Record:
Item 4e was removed from Consent Calendar and heard separately.

e. **U.S. AMATEUR CONFEDERATION OF ROLLERSKATING**
ROAD CLOSURES

Lee Cole, supported this rollerskating event and urged the Commission to grant approval.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16181

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the road closures along the Great Highway on Saturday, October 26, 1991, in conjunction with the U.S. Amateur Confederation of Rollerskating.

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4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

f. MISSION PLAYGROUND — RES. NO. 16182
GEOLOGICAL DRILLING

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request of Cornell University to perform geological drilling at Mission Playground to obtain seismic information.

g. AQUATIC PARK — RES. NO. 16183
SOUTH END ROWING CLUB
MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the South End Rowing Club to increase its membership dues from $195.00 to $255.00 effective January 1, 1992.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained the animal transactions: the tamarin, currently on loan to the Bronx Zoo, will now be transferred to Valley Bird Farm so that it may be paired with a male. Although one of the kangaroos being sold is an animal received through the sister-city relationship with Sydney, Australia, it has become aggressive requiring its removal.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16184

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

TRANSFER/LOAN:

Transfer from Bronx Zoo to: Valley Bird Farm
Zephyr Hills, Florida
USDA 58-B-172

One (1) Female Cotton Top Tamarin

SOLD TO: Northland Wildlife
2601 E. Highway 161
Grand Rapids, MN 55709
USDA #41-B-101

Three (3) Female Grey Kangaroos, valued at $4,500.00. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

6. **GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES**
RULES AND REGULATIONS

Approval of rules and regulations for the Golden Gate Park Stables.

Property Manager, Robin Burgstahler, explained that the rules and regulations have been reviewed and modified by the boarder's committee, the operator and staff. The proposed rules and regulations have been posted at the stables and have essentially been in place at the stables for approximately 5 years. She recommended approval.

Mary Pisor, supported the proposed rules and regulations and stated that the current grievance procedure is adequate if administered properly.

Betty Silverman, the elected boarder's representative, explained that she has spent many hours with the operators and other boarders discussing the rules and regulations. She was pleased with the proposed rules with the exception of two areas: Under Rule #7 she wanted the words "arbitration committee" in place of "sole discretion of the operator"; and under Rule #9 she wanted the note stricken from the rules and regulations.

Dennis Hamby, the elected boarder's representative, agreed with the proposed rules and regulations with the exception of the wording under Rule #7 as stated by the previous speaker. He did not believe in the use of sign up sheets as they could be construed as an invasion of privacy.

Georgia Bates Creel, supported the concessionaire and the rules and regulations which have been proposed. She stated the operator is doing a fine job and the rules are working well.

Millicent Moncrief, a long time boarder and a rider of 55 years, was satisfied with the current concessionaire and was very supportive of the present management at the Stables.

Mickey Dennis, stated that the rules and regulations are appropriate and meet everybody's needs from those in riding school to the boarders. She stated that the present management is most helpful and considerate. She further stated that the curfew hour is reasonable.

Jeff Morris, one of the operators, explained that they have been reviewing and refining the rules and regulations for many months and that over a dozen changes have been made to accommodate the boarders. He commented that Rule #7 offers protection against the possibility of abusive, dangerous handling or riding of a horse. He stated that the Stable's staff should be given the authority to make a distinction for immediate grounds for dismissal. Rule #9 provides that the owner/boarder shall be responsible for his horse and not turn responsibility to handlers all the time.

Shay Morris, one of the operators, explained that the rules and regulations contain an arbitration procedure but if a person is violating the law the operators want to be able to remove such person from the stables. She further explained that the Rule #9 was incorporated into the rules because she has a few boarders that she has never seen and felt they should care for their horse.

6. GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES
RULES AND REGULATIONS (Continued)

Polly Dignan, reassured the Commission that the Stables' management is fair but wanted to have the right to evict a boarder if they have made gross errors such as beating a horse.

Jerry Lombardi, one of the managers at the Stables, explained that any well run facility needs rules and regulations. He felt the rules were fair for all parties.

Joe Dignan, commented that the rules and regulations have been carefully considered by all the parties involved.

Ruchilla Glover, stated that as a new student at the stables the rules and regulations regarding conduct and safety aptly apply and given proper attention to horses.

Brenda Woods-Elmole, stated that all people must abide by the rules and regulations which are necessary to operate the stables. She supported the management team and the rules and regulations.

President O'Connor complimented the Stables' management in response to all of the positive statements received. She asked how would a boarder be removed if he/she behaved in an unlawful manner.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the rules and regulations would allow an eviction when it relates to the lease or the participation of the person in the stable.

A discussion ensued on whether another operational rule should be incorporated into the rules and regulations regarding expulsion of a boarder if they break the law. Commissioner Eickman felt that inclusion of another rule would extend beyond the jurisdiction of the Commission.

Commissioner Orr stated that a rule could be incorporated into the regulations stating that any illegal activities performed on the stables' premises is grounds for expulsion. He further stated that he was content with the rules and regulations and did not think Rules #7 or #9 should be modified.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16185

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the rules and regulations for the Golden Gate Park Stables.

7. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
HAIGHT ASHBURY NEIGHBORHOOD
COUNCIL (HANC) RECYCLING CENTER

Renewal of Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council (HANC) recycling permit at Kezar Stadium.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that the HANC Recycling Center has been operating at its current location for some time under a permit. The permit provides annual renewal options and HANC has requested to renew its option for an additional year with a modest increase in the permit fee. Staff recommended approval.

Theresa Angeli, Recycling Committee Chair, was present to ask the Commission to approve the permit.

Ed Dunn, representing the Recycling Center, spoke in favor of renewing the permit.

Shelly Rider, representing the San Francisco Recycling Program, stated that her office supported HANC Recycling Center. She felt it represented a good working agreement.

Commissioner Ruiz commented that when this matter was heard at the Committee level a member of the public complained about the noise level from the recycling center. He asked what had been done to address this matter.

Mr. Dunn explained that the recycling center has modified its schedule to start operating at 11:00 a.m. rather than 9:00 a.m. on weekends. He explained that they plan to look for other ways to mitigate the sound level and will discuss this in more detail when the Plan of Operation is calendared before the Commission.

A discussion ensued regarding the hours when the glass is dumped during the weekday and the hardship it would have on the operation of the recycling center.

Commissioner Orr suggested that the noise issue could be addressed when the Commission considered the recycling center's Plan of Operation in the next few months.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the Commission deferred taking action on this matter until the Plan of Operation for the Recycling Center is calendared for consideration. Until such time, the Recycling Center will continue to operate on a 30 day use permit.

8. **FUHRMAN BEQUEST**
LAND SALE

Approval of the proposed sale of 40 acres in Monterey County with the provision that the City shall retain all mineral rights to the property.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that that the Department owns (along with the Library Commission) two parcels of property in Monterey County which is part of the Fuhrman Bequest. One piece of property is revenue producing and the other piece of property is land-locked and does not produce revenue. The owners of the land surrounding the land-locked property want to purchase it. Real Estate Department has appraised the value of land between $16,000-20,000. Staff proposed selling the land but to retain the property's mineral rights. The Library Commission, which is a co-owner of this land, has approved this recommendation.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16186

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the sale of 40 acres in Monterey County (legally described as the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 21, T. 22s., R. 14E., M.D.B. & M) with the provision that the City shall retain all mineral rights to said property.

9. **JUSTIN HERMAN PLAZA**
DEMOLITION OF EMBARCADERO FREEWAY

Ratification to permit Caltrans to occupy a portion of Justin Herman Plaza in conjunction with the demolition of the Embarcadero Freeway subject to conditions.

Assistant Superintendent for Neighborhood Parks and Squares, Ron deLeon, explained that this matter was calendared for the July Commission meeting but was not considered.. This request is to approve a permit with the State of California, Department of Transportation, to occupy a portion of Justin Herman Plaza in conjunction with the demolition of the Embarcadero Freeway, subject to conditions outlined in a letter dated 6/26/91 to Caltrans. The permit provides that the State will indemnify, protect and repair park property that may be damaged in the process of demolition of the Embarcadero Freeway. This work has already been completed.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16187

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the permit Caltrans to occupy a portion of Justin Herman Plaza in conjunction with the demolition of the Embarcadero Freeway subject to conditions outlined in a letter dated 6/26/91 from the General Manager, Recreation and Park Department, to State of California, Department of Transportation.

3:00 p.m. to 3:40 p.m. the Commission convened in closed session on Item 9a.

9a. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
ATTORNEY/CLIENT CONFERENCE

The Commission will convene in closed session with the City Attorney to discuss potential litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code.

Note: No formal action was taken by the Commission.

10. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
MOBILE CATERING PERMITS
SIX MONTH REVIEW

Review of pushcart/mobile truck/food booth vending concessions at various locations in Golden Gate Park and neighborhood parks.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that currently the Department operates (through permits) mobile push cart vendors throughout the park system at 22 locations. The push cart operation was put in place for a 6 month time period. This period will expire at the end of October and staff is recommending an extension for 6 more months. Mr. Arnold recommended that 1 of the 2 push cart sites at the East Marina Green be deleted, the push cart site at Mission Dolores Park be eliminated because of safety issues and that 3 push cart sites be added along the Great Highway. Currently the Great Highway push cart permits are administered through the Police Department but jurisdictional authority will be transferred to Recreation and Park in January, 1992. He proposed placing the 3 sites at the foot of Balboa, Fulton and Lincoln on the Great Highway. He further recommended that 1 push cart be allowed at Larsen Park, with the condition that a community meeting will be held prior to preparation of the bid package to ensure that the community concurs with this proposal. Staff initially recommended that the sale of alcohol be permitted at the kiosk at Marina Green but has now removed this recommendation.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16188

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the continuation of the pushcart/mobile truck/food booth vending concessions at various Recreation and Park locations previously approved on (10/21/90) with the following modifications:

°Deletion of 1 of the 2 push cart locations at the Marina Green;
°Deletion of 1 push cart location at Mission Dolores Park;
°Addition of 3 push cart locations along the Great Highway;
°Addition of 1 push cart location at Larsen Park subject to a community meeting.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK
S. F. LAWN BOWLING FACILITY

Approval of plaque commemorating the Lawn Bowling Facility as a San Francisco historic landmark.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that the lawn bowling facility in Golden Gate Park has been named a landmark facility and the lawn bowlers want to erect a plaque to commemorate it. The Committee recommended approval but asked that the wording be reviewed. Staff has met with the lawn bowlers and agreed that the proposed wording should state "San Francisco Lawn Bowling Club House and Greens. A San Francisco City Landmark Number 181. California's First Municipal Lawn Bowling Greens Established 1901."

Emerson Denton, representing the S.F. Lawn Bowling Club, stated that they met with staff and agreed on the wording and design of the plaque. He urged that this matter be approved so they could seek approval from the Art Commission.

Commissioner Orr stated that the wording was the only unresolved issue because the dimensions of the plaque are within the Commission's guidelines.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16189

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the plaque commemorating the Lawn Bowling Facility as a San Francisco historic landmark to read: "San Francisco Lawn Bowling Club House and Greens. A San Francisco City Landmark Number 181. California's First Municipal Lawn Bowling Greens Established 1901."

12. GOLDEN GATE PARK
OPERA PARADE WALK 1991
ROAD CLOSURES

Approval of road closures in Golden Gate Park on Sunday, September 8, 1991, from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., in conjunction with the Opera Parade Walk 1991.

Assistant Recreation Supervisor, Sharon Moyer, explained that this item is a request to close roads in Golden Gate Park in conjunction with the first annual opera parade walk, a walk to be conducted prior to the annual Opera in the Park. The parade will feature 9 floats, each one representing of the operas offered this year. Ms. Moyer outlined the course of the walk and the proposed road closures noting that each road closure would be for approximately 20 minutes, 1 hour for the entire walk. At the request of Commissioner Eickman, staff also requested $1 Million liability insurance policy, a $1,000 bond and a $300 service fee.

12. GOLDEN GATE PARK
OPERA PARADE WALK 1991
ROAD CLOSURES (Continued)

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16190

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the road closures in Golden Gate Park on Sunday, September 8, 1991, from 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., in conjunction with the Opera Parade Walk 1991.

13. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR STADIUM
OPERATIONS/PERMIT POLICY

Approval of Kezar Stadium Operations and Permit Policy.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that Kezar Stadium is due to open and the issue of how the stadium will be operated and the impact on the neighborhood has been a subject of a number of meetings. Ms. Burns recommended that the proposed Operations and Permit Policy be adopted for a 2 month interim period while staff continues to resolve some of the issues and obtains experience with the actual operation of the stadium. The community has been concerned about the size of events, the number of large events, the impact of the sound and light system on the surrounding areas and the traffic issue. A light and sound test was conducted and the general agreement was that the lights have the kind of impact which were described in the development process. The sound system that is in place was tested on a particularly windy evening and people were pleased with the baffling system. An event using an outside sound system has not been resolved and she recommended holding up to 2 events during the first 6 months using an alternative sound system. Those 2 trial events would ascertain if there is a detrimental impact on the surrounding neighborhood. Ms. Burns further proposed that an advisory group be established to work with staff to review issues as they arise. Until the advisory committee has been appointed Ms. Burns recommended that for the next 2 months the public review process continue as it has in the past. She proposed that the advisory committee include categories such as immediate residents, outlying neighbors, and traditional user group representatives. Since Kezar Stadium is a large facility it was recommended that the policy be reviewed every 6 months until language is developed that balances conflicting needs.

D. Minor, representing Save our Schools (SOS), explained that she has requested to stage a fund raiser in the form of a concert in Kezar Stadium to save the co-curricular programs for the School District during the 2 month trial period. Since the SFUSD will no longer fund art programs for children, the SOS organization is trying to keep these programs in place. She explained that she was willing to work with the community and urged that the policy be adopted so that they could apply for a permit and save the arts programs for the SFUSD.

13. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR STADIUM
OPERATIONS/PERMIT POLICY (Continued)

Jeff Gaddy, Executive Director of School Aid of San Francisco, and resident of Haight, stated that their primary purpose is to raise funds for the SFUSD's co-curricular programs which have been deleted from next year's budget. Defunded programs include band, orchestra, choir, debating team, drama club, student newspaper, etc. The Kezar Stadium fund raiser could generate enough funds to continue these programs. He wanted to use Kezar on 10/5/91 and needed sufficient time to promote the event. He urged adoption of the policy and suggested that non-profit organizations be permitted to use Kezar every quarter.

Robert McDonnell, Laborers Union, was present to discuss staffing levels at Kezar Stadium.

Larry Burgheimer, supported the co-curricular fund raiser. He felt the lights are operating well and wanted to see the low-level lighting remain on during the night. He stated that the sound level needs additional testing and wanted to see the advisory committee put in place.

Deborah Gellermann, a potential user and merchant in the area stated that she hoped this public process continues and that the competing issues of staffing, congestion, lighting, noise, etc., are kept separate. She hoped the policy distinguishes the type of permitted events and that all uses are separate and distinguished. She suggested that perhaps a cap should be placed on the other events that generate revenues for the Department. She did not want to public or private school events shut out from the Stadium.

Kenneth Brown, a nearby resident stated that this policy has been developed over the last 6 months and represents an enormous amount of work on the part of the residents, staff and user groups. He stated that the neighbors have acted in good faith and will continue to do so. He felt that any last minute suggestions to the policy were not appropriate. He urged the Commission to approve the policy as developed and to not make any other major changes until the interim policy has been administered.

Calvin Welch, representing Inner Sunset Haight Ashbury Polytechnic Coalition, commended staff who has participated in the development of this draft proposal. There has been a remarkable change from the first draft which represents a compromise on all involved parties. He wanted to see the advisory committee put in place. Mr. Welch explained that the community is willing to accept recreational and athletic events and a limited number of revenue producing events that advance the needs of children and youth. He stated that the Commission needed to clarify that non-school or commercial use of this facility will not be allowed. He stated that there is a severe traffic problem in this area which must be considered.

13. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR STADIUM
OPERATIONS/PERMIT POLICY (Continued)

Robert Vergara, representing St. Ignatius High School, asked that the Commission approve the policy for the interim 2 month period. He stated that the policy has been under discussion for the last 6 months and that during this time the schools have scheduled their high school football program which will begin shortly, hopefully, using Kezar Stadium.

Marc Christensen, thanked staff who worked on the development of this policy. He stated the community, school use groups and others have given input on this document. He questioned two clauses in the policy relating to grandfathered events and the number of permitted events allowed each week. He asked for clarification on these two items and noted that generally he felt the policy will work.

Assistant Superintendent for Recreation, Hal Flinn, explained that the language was developed through an outgrowth of many meetings. He was of the opinion that the wording which has been added will alleviate any of his concerns and that the number of permitted events allowed in a week will not affect track meets.

Dorrie Huntington, resident of Parkview Commons, thanked staff for their efforts in developing this policy and was pleased to know that the Stadium will remain open for the residents after 3:30 p.m. She stated that the interim policy is acceptable and discouraged incorporation of any last minute modifications to the policy.

Estela Becerra, thanked staff for all of the work that has been done in the past 6 months to draft the policy. She stated that the General Manager has listened very carefully to her concerns and was happy with the operations policy. She was also interested in the advisory committee and hoped it includes a broad spectrum of the City.

President O'Connor commended staff for its efforts in developing a policy that pleased the community and user groups.

Commissioner Orr outlined minor technical modifications to the policy that were made at the Committee level. He further proposed that the advisory committee should compose 11 members of the public to give the General Manager some discretion.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16191

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Kezar Stadium Operations and Permit Policy for a two month period, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Policy shall be reviewed by the Commission every six months, on the first and seventh Commission meetings of each calendar year.

14. GOLDEN GATE PARK
STOW LAKE
AWARD OF LEASE

°Approval of a 20-year lease with Stow Lake Corporation for operation of the Stow Lake Boat Rental, Snack Bar and Bicycle Rental concession.

°Approval of a month-to-month permit for operation of the Stow Lake Concession from September 1, 1991 until the new lease is effective.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that he was pleased to present a lease for the operation of the Stow Lake concession in Golden Gate Park. The lease is for a 20 year term and the demised premises have been expanded to include a bicycle rental concession in the basement. The rent has been increased from a minimum annual guarantee of $30,000 to $120,000; percentage rent from 17.5% to 21% for the snack bar and from 23.5% to 31% for the rentals. Cal Tilden, the concessionaire, has agreed to make $20,000 of improvements to the facility in the first 12 months of the lease; an additional $15,000 by the 6th year of the lease, and has agreed to assume maintenance of the facility. The Department will provide utility and trash services and has agreed to not attempt to permanently close Stow Lake Drive during the term of the lease. Any permitted events which allow for temporary road closure of Stow Lake Drive will have the road opened by 10:00 a.m. Mr. Tilden is required to furnish a CPA audit annually and is allowed an early termination after 5 years conditioned on a 1 year notice of termination to the Department. If the lease is approved he asked that the Commission also approve a temporary use permit since the present lease expires in August.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16192

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a 20-year lease with Stow Lake Corporation for operation of the Stow Lake Boat Rental, Snack Bar and Bicycle Rental concession, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a month-to-month permit for operation of the Stow Lake Concession from September 1, 1991 until the effective date of the new lease.

15. GOLDEN GATE PARK
JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
BID PACKAGE

Approval of a bid package for a five-year lease for operation of the tea house and gift shop concession at the Japanese Tea Garden.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that staff is proposing a bid package for the Japanese Tea Garden. The premises include the tea house and gift shop. The bid deposit is $5,000. The bid package asks for a minimum rent of $170,000 a year, $15,000 for capital improvements and a cultural programming component. The bidders must agree to maintain the interior/exterior of the gift shop and tea house and install a handicapped ramp to the gift shop.

15. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
BID PACKAGE (Continued)

Ruth Azawa, was concerned about the cultural programming aspect to the bid package. She stated that the garden was designed as a walking, strolling garden, to observe the seasons. She felt the cultural program will bring a western attitude into the park. She urged that the cultural enhancement component be conducted on a trial basis.

Mr. Arnold explained that the cultural event will be scheduled for non-peak periods and was an attempt to give the garden more authenticity.

Commissioner Orr suggested that the cultural programming be tried on an experimental basis and that if the cultural event does not enhance the garden it could be eliminated.

President O'Connor wanted a clause added to the bid package stating the cultural program is proposed on an experimental basis and that it will not be factored in the scoring of the bid package.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16193

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the bid package for a five-year lease for operation of the tea house and gift shop concession at the Japanese Tea Garden.

16. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
GOLDEN GATE PARK GOLF COURSE
BID PACKAGE

Approval of a bid package for a five-year lease for operation of the Golden Gate Park Golf Course.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this bid package is for a 5 year term and that the premises include the entire golf clubhouse and driving range area. The minimum guarantee and percentage rent, excluding green fees, is $10,000. The percentage of green fees is a minimum of 90%. The lessee will be required to maintain the golf shop and driving range and must install a handicapped ramp to the clubhouse. All shift schedules for the employees are to be provided and approved by Department's Golf Director. He recommended approval of the bid package.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16194

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the bid package for a five-year lease for operation of the Golden Gate Park Golf Course.

17. HOM & PON CONCESSIONAIRES
INCREASE IN RATES AND CHARGES

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that the recommended prices are outlined in the supporting data. Most of the prices are comparable to rates charged at other park locations.

A discussion ensued regarding the action taken at the Committee level. The Committee preferred to see the price of the hot dog and popcorn items remain consistent with prices charges at other Recreation and Park facilities.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16195

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the increases in food and beverage prices at various concession locations in Golden Gate Park effective 8/16/91, as follows:.

Product	Current Price	Approved Price
Polish Sausage (4 to a lb.)	$3.00	$3.50
Ham & Cheese Sand	2.40	2.50
Hot Dog (8 to a lb.	1.60	1.80
Pink Popcorn, Peanuts, Carmel Corn	1.00	1.00
Apple Juice	.90	1.10
Potato Chips	.75	.80
Eskimo Pie	1.00	1.00
Ice Cream Sandwich	1.00	1.00
New Items:		
Hagen Daz Ice Cream (3.67 oz.)		2.25
Soft Drink (20 oz.)		1.75
Hot Pretzels		1.25

18. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16196

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $41,573.09, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From the Pier 39 Limited Partnership, $3,000.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for the reproduction of the Department's Summer 1991 Schedule of Classes and Activities.

b. From the San Francisco Foundation, $1,500.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for the summer concerts held at Boeddeker Park.

c. From the San Francisco Foundation, $5,000.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for the Tenderloin Recreation Center.

18. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS (Continued) RES. NO. 16196 (Continued)

d. From Pacific Gas and Electric, $7,000.00, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, for the reproduction of the Department's Summer 1991 Schedule of Classes and Activities.

e. From Alice Kobayashi, through the Strybing Arboretum Society, two-25 year old tree ferns (Dicksonia fibrosa; Dicksonnia antarctica), valued at $1,200.00 for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

f. From Ikebana International, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter, through the Strybing Arboretum Society, $9,500.00, for the renovation of the Moonviewing Garden, for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

g. From the Strybing Arboretum Society, miscellaneous gifts (interns/workstudy students, conference attendance, plants and seeds, materials and supplies, and banners, signage and labeling), valued at $9,093.09, for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

h. From Shooting Star Propagation, 10 flats of perennials, valued at $280.00, for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

i. From Friends of Noe Courts, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $3,000.00, for installation of a play structure at Noe Courts.

j. From Hugh Reynolds, orchids, pots, orchid bark and related horticultural material for the orchid collection at the Conservatory of Flowers, valued at $2,000.00.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That letters of thanks will be sent to the donors.

19. PERMIT AND RESERVATIONS POLICY
SIX MONTH REVIEW

Review of the Permit and Reservations policy for use of facilities under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Department as required by Park Code Section 7.03-IV, Resolution 15902.

Commissioner Orr explained that the Commission has been reviewing the Permit and Reservation Policy every six months for some time and felt that it could now be reviewed on an annual basis, with the exception of the Kezar Stadium Policy since it is new and untried.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the Commission approved a yearly review period rather than every six months for the Permit and Reservation Policy with the exception of the Kezar Stadium Operations Policy.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that this policy has been reviewed every six months and staff is not recommending any additional changes. She stated that staff feels it is able to administer the policy and that annual review is sufficient. The only outstanding issue which remains is the matter of free food distribution in the parks in the outdoors on a regular basis. This issue has been raised in the courts and there are a number of lawsuits pending on this issue. The Commission has reviewed this matter in great detail on two previous occasions and on an

19. PERMIT AND RESERVATIONS POLICY
SIX MONTH REVIEW (Continued)

emergency basis had allowed the distribution of food to take place at two sites in response to the homeless problem in the City. This activity is no longer allowed because one of the groups that was distributing food had problems in following rules and regulations that this Commission set up to balance the needs of various competing interests and groups using the parks. She explained that parks cannot solve all of the problems that come up in the City and were designed to be relief from stress and congestion. The Commission needs to be and protective of the parks purposes. Staff has a request from one organization to distribute food in the parks. Since there are alternatives available for food service for those in need it was staff's recommendation to not amend the policy to prohibit free food distribution in the City's parks.

Hank Obermayer, explained that there there are many people on the streets and there is a great need for food distribution. He stated that Food Not Bombs organization is distributing food on a small budget and does not have money to rent space. They need public park space. He felt the permit process was an obstruction and did not think there was need to have a permit.

Eli Rosenblatt, stated that the process for food distribution would make sense if the parties involved came to a mutual agreement that the use reflects the City's health and safety codes. He explained that Food Not Bombs workers have been arrested for the crime of serving free food in the parks and that their First Amendment rights have been violated. He stated that this Commission has made this issue political by having a policy and enforcing it. He felt that good faith negotiations have never occurred.

Alex Vitale, from the staff of Coalition on Homelessness, stated that the homeless problem will not be resolved in the next 5 years. He felt that Recreation and Park has lead the battle against homeless people and tries to restrict parks from use by the homeless. He stated that over 18,000 people were turned away from shelters last year, soup kitchens are at capacity, and that there are those who are in need of this food service.

Sheilah Cummings, explained that Food Not Bombs feed in the park because they are expressing their political belief that homelessness is not being addressed and that they are making political connections between domestic and military issues which is a constitutional right. She stated that in the past 3 years City agencies have operated in bad faith toward Food Not Bombs. Food Not Bombs sought approval from Recreation and Park although they do not feel they need to seek permission. She felt that the City has manipulated regulations, arrested their members, stolen their property, and threatened them. Ms. Cummings outlined the chronology of events from 8/88 when they initially requested a permit to give free food and literature in Golden Gate Park, to the months of negotiations resulting in the issuance of the requisite health permits, to the revocation of its permit in 1990.

19. PERMIT AND RESERVATIONS POLICY
SIX MONTH REVIEW (Continued)

Perry Matlock, explained that the Recreation and Park deleted the regulations allowing free food distribution and sought an injunction against Food Not Bombs stating that there was no longer a need for free food distribution in public parks. He felt that the City is engaged in a pattern of discrimination and censorship and that Food Not Bombs is a political group which educates people to spend more resources on human need and less on weapons. He urged the Commission to amend its regulations to allow for free food distribution in public parks. Mr. Matlock explained that by censoring Food Not Bombs it is censoring those who want to defend the homeless. He felt there was no reason why a small portion of the park cannot be used for free food distribution.

Richard Edmondson, stated that it was important to realize that America is rapidly becoming a third world country and that the number of homeless will increase.

Marcia Bird, stated that Food Not Bombs serves food to anyone who is hungry and that perhaps this is the only place that a homeless person can be treated as human beings without judgment. She stated that this is an important feeling for a dis-empowered person. She felt that Food Not Bombs was a positive group and that most people who eat with them are in genuine need of sustenance.

Tom Osher, stated that the original purpose of the park is to provide a part of nature for people to enjoy and that it should not be the purpose of the Commission to determine what these people do in the park as long as the laws are followed. He stated that what Food Not Bombs does in the park amounts to a picnic and that they picnic in the park in an organized way feeding 5-7 gallon buckets of soup. At the same time they bring a political element to this service which is a First Amendment right. He stated that this group is non-violent and cares about homeless people.

Michael Franks, supported Food Not Bombs and explained that they have a sincere desire to do something for people who are not doing well in their lives. He did not think it is a crime to feed people who are trying to find a way to live and that Food Not Bombs offers a family atmosphere which is an important element.

Estela Becerra, lives in the Haight and grew up in a family where everyone worked hard. She was a social worker at one time and sympathized with the needs of the homeless but felt that the parks provide relief from stress and that parks should be utilized for the purpose which they were intended.

David Grace, spoke in support of the homeless and stated that most of the homeless are on the street because of economic corruption. He commented that the Commission's agenda dealt with financial issues and did not address the original intent of the City's parks. He felt the Commission could either help the poor or ignore the homeless problem.

19. PERMIT AND RESERVATIONS POLICY
SIX MONTH REVIEW (Continued)

Commissioner Eickman explained that he was not in favor of feeding people without a permit but with the necessary permits he was willing to grant approval. He was not sure if Food Not Bombs was willing to abide to any rules established but felt it was possible to allow food distribution under agreed conditions. He felt that he could not be indifferent to the plight of the homelessness and provide no circumstances whereby food would be served. He was prepared to grant a permit, subject to time, place and manner restrictions.

Deputy City Attorney, Mara Rosales, clarified the point that the Permit and Reservation Policy regulations states that there are appropriate places in the park system for the distribution of free food and that the General Manager may approve a permit when the proposed facility takes place in an indoor facility. The Park Code already provides that the distribution of flyers and other First Amendment types of expression are permissible as long as there are under 50 people.

Commissioner Chan stated that he has given this matter more thought since the Committee meeting. He felt that parks are for people's enjoyment and did not want to issue this type of a permit. He was prepared to make a motion to not revise language in the Permit and Reservations Policy which would re-establish the authority to issue a permit for free food distribution in outdoor parks.

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16197

RESOLVED, That this Commission denies the inclusion of an amendment in the Permit and Reservation Policy to provide for food distribution to the homeless on park property.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners O'Connor, Chan, Orr, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioner Eickman
Absent: Commissioner Guggenhime

20. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Jeff Gaddy, representing School Aid of San Francisco, explained that they requested a permit to use Kezar on 10/5/91 and wanted to know when he would receive a response from the Department.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that staff could not act on his request until the Kezar Operations Policy had been adopted by the Commission.

20. PUBLIC COMMENT (Continued)

Hank Obermayer, explained that he learned that any group that wants to give a free performance in the park must pay a fee. He stated that he works with a small performance group and that they do not have funds to pay a permit fee.

Assistant Superintendent of Cultural Division, Peter Ashe, explained that a fee schedule has been developed to address the many competing uses in the parks. Mr. Ashe stated that he works with the groups and if they can offer an in-kind service which the Department can use it will be considered in lieu of a fee.

21. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President O'Connor congratulated and complimented staff for their diligent work and efforts on the Kezar Stadium Operations Plan.

22. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Recreation Program and Mather Committee Meeting of June 26, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of July 1, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of July 2, 1991
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of July 3, 1991
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of August 1, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of August 1, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of August 5, 1991

23. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, the meeting was adjourned in memory of, Isabela Riviera, daughter of Arturo Rodriguez one of the Department's maintenance workers. Ms. Riviera was killed in an automobile accident.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, the meeting was adjourned in memory of, Jack Shenahan, a retired gardener of the Department who passed away.

The 661st Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

San Francisco, California
September 19, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

662ND REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Sixty-Second Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, September 19, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Sue Sommer Loos
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 15, 1991, were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns submitted the following report:

"KEZAR OPENING

Kezar Stadium opened on Friday, September 5, 1991, with soccer practice by a group of Special Olympics athletes as the first scheduled event. The official grand opening was held on Friday, September 13 followed by a football game between George Washington and St. Ignatius High Schools. Attendance at the first game was estimated at 4,000 persons; subsequent games have drawn considerably less. Response from the community has been generally positive, but staff will remain diligent in our attempts to limit the impact on the neighborhood. Community usage has been limited. Staff will work with the new Advisory Committee in an attempt to better inform the community of the operational hours.

SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY FAIR

The Department is working with a coalition of groups to develop a new County Fair Board to put on the 1992 fair. The State Division of Fairs and Expositions has informed us that, with the State's fiscal crisis, they are taking a look at the entire fair system and the way it is composed and operated. One proposal being looked at is having only one fair per county. Another area of concern is the cost of premiums being paid at fairs. As we learn more, I will inform the Commission.

AIDS MEMORIAL GROVE

On Saturday, September 21, 1991, there will be a ceremonial tree planting and general clean-up of DeLaveaga Dell, Golden Gate Park. Department staff and volunteers will gather together to benefit the AIDS Memorial Grove Project. The event is scheduled from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., with a ceremony at noon.

STRYBING ARBORETUM AND BOTANICAL GARDENS OPEN HOUSE

On October 5th from 12:00 Noon to 4:00 p.m., Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens will have an open house and celebration, "A World of Gardens". There will be ethnic music and storytelling, plant sales, garden guides stations in the plant collections and book sales. There is an announcement in your packets.

PARK AND OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

The Park and Open Space Advisory Committee has scheduled its needs assessment hearings to receive recommendations on expenditures of the 1992-93 Open Space Program funds. The Committee has also scheduled its annual site tour for Saturday, October 12, 1991, beginning at 9:00 a.m. (Sites to be determined.) I would encourage as many of you as possible to join us for the tour. It will be very helpful when you deliberate next year's Open Space budget.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

NEW AT THE SAN FRANCISCO ZOO

There have been a number of significant births and hatchings at the Zoo in the past month. The only Hamlyn Guenon (primate) birth to date in North America; twin Emperor tamarins; one black rhinoceros (this pair's ninth offspring); and one owl monkey. The baby koala who emerged from the pouch this summer is now on exhibit. A pair of black and white casqued hornbills have produced chicks. This is the only known hatching of this species in North America.

FORT MASON RESTRIPING

Fort Mason Center has just completed a restriping the parking lot at Fort Mason. The restriping work began on Monday, September 16th and was completed yesterday. This project did not interfere with normal operating activities at the Marina Yacht Harbor.

WATER RECLAMATION

A proposal has been made to consolidate all ground water in San Francisco under the control of the Water Department. The Recreation and Park Department has substantial ground water resources, primarily in Golden Gate Park. Much of the irrigation water for Golden Gate Park is supplied from ground water and we have made plans to convert additional sections of the Park to ground water in order to reduce the demand on the City's supply of potable water. The proposed transfer of control over all ground water supplies to the Water Department could have serious negative impacts on the Recreation and Park Department. We will be monitoring this issue closely.

1992 CITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Mr. Tom Culligan, former player in the City's Golf Tournament and sponsor of the 1990 and 1991 City Championship, has expressed his desire to again sponsor the tournament in 1992. He also sponsors the "San Francisco Family Tournament", formerly the "Father and Son Tournament".

Last year's tournament had a record number of entrants and participants. Over 1400 golfers at all levels of competition played in last year's tournament, the 75th Annual. A Senior Women's Flight is planned for next year's tournament. The dates for next year's tournament are February 29, 1992 through March 29, 1992.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT (Under $5,000)

The following are claims under $5,000 settled by the City Attorney's Office for the month of September, 1991:

Claimant	Amount	Claimant	Amount
McCarthy	$ 143.63	Ralston	$ 51.00
Lewis	409.18	Dellanina	410.22
Fu	982.17	Wilson	392.02
Chrisanthis	314.58	Perez	236.78
Gonzalez	227.78	Cooper	216.83
Drisdell	778.00	Newell-Wan	1,015.71

ELECTION ACTIVITIES BY CITY DEPARTMENTS AND EMPLOYEES

In light of the upcoming election in November, the City Attorney's Office has issued a memorandum outlining appropriate political activity for City officers and employees and what rules govern the use of City resources in elections. The memorandum reminds all City personnel of the fundamental prohibition against using City resources to take sides in election campaign, along with the principle that with certain limited exceptions City employees are free to engage in political activities while off duty. A copy of this memorandum is at your place.

RETIREMENTS

Joe Del Carlo	Municipal Stadium Groundskeeper	41 Years

GENERAL MANAGER TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

I will be attending the National Recreation and Park Association Congress for Recreation and Parks in Baltimore, Maryland from October 17 to 21. During my absence, Phil Arnold will be the Acting General Manager.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, September 25, 1991	Recreation Program and Mather Committee 3:30 p.m., Golden Gate Park Senior Center
Sunday, September 29, 1991	Lawn Bowling Club 90th Anniversary Celebration, 9:00 a.m., Golden Gate Park
Tuesday, October 1, 1991	Parks and Planning Committee 3:00 p.m. (tour), 4:00 p.m. (meeting), McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, October 2, 1991	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:30 p.m. (tour), 5:00 p.m. (meeting), S.F. Zoo

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

DATES TO REMEMBER (Continued)

Thursday, October 3, 1991	Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and Candlestick Park and Golf Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Saturday, October 5, 1991	Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens Open House and Celebration 12:00 Noon to 4:00 p.m.
Monday, October 7, 1991	Golden Gate Park Committee 3:00 p.m. (tour); 4:00 p.m. (meeting)
Thursday, October 10, 1991	Columbus Day Lunch, 12:00 Noon, Sigmund Stern Grove Clubhouse
Saturday, October 12, 1991	Open Space Tour, 9:00 a.m., McLaren Lodge
Monday, October 14, 1991	Columbus Day Holiday"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. PERSONNEL MATTERS — RES. NO. 16198

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period August 5, 1991 through September 4, 1991.

b. JAPANTOWN PEACE PLAZA TWO-DAY EVENT — RES. NO. 16199

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the Japantown Merchants Association for a two-day event at the Japantown Peace Plaza on Saturday, September 7 and Sunday September 8, 1991 at specified times.

c. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT — RES. NO. 16200

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the personal services contract with Careers Abound, in an amount not to exceed $7,500.00, for receptionist training, Recreation and Park Department.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

d. AQUATIC PARK — RES. NO. 16201
DOLPHIN SWIMMING AND BOATING CLUB
MEMBERSHIP FEE

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase to the Dolphin Swimming and Boating Club's membership fees, effective 1/1/92, as follows:

Regular:	$300 to $360
Life:	$ 95 to $100
Senior:	-- $314

e. LAUREL HILL PLAYGROUND — RES. NO. 16202
REVOCABLE PERMIT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the renewal of San Francisco Community College's revocable permit to hold its Child Observation classes at Laurel Hill Clubhouse.

f. JAPANTOWN PEACE PLAZA — RES. NO. 16203
FEE WAIVER

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the fee waiver request for the Third Annual Moon Festival to be held at the Japantown Peace Plaza.

g. RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION — RES. NO. 16204
PARKS AND PLANNING COMMITTEE
CHANGE OF REGULAR MEETING DATE AND TIME

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the change of the Parks and Planning Committee meeting date from the first Thursday of every month, 9:00 a.m. to the first Tuesday of every month, 4:00 p.m.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Curator, Nancy Schofield, explained the animal transactions: the water buffalo were sold because there are too many in the Zoo's herd; the kangaroo was also sold as the herd is too large and there has been some aggression; the snow leopard was donated because the Zoo does not plan to include this animal in its collection.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

RES. NO. 16205

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

SOLD TO: Northland Wildlife
2601 E. Highway 161
Grand Rapids, MN 55709
USDA #41-B-101

One (1) Female and One (1) Male Asiatic Water Buffalo, valued at $3,000, for the pair. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

SOLD TO: Safari West
3115 Porter Creek Road
Santa Rosa, CA 94940
USDA #93-B-93

One (1) Female and One (1) Male Grey Kangaroo, valued at $2,250, for the pair. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

DONATED TO: Mickey Grove Zoo
11793 North Mickey Grove Road
Lodi, CA 95240
USDA #93-C-006

One (1) male Snow Leopard, valued at $500.00.

6. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY
OPERATING BUDGET

Curator, Nancy Schofield, explained that the Commission must accept the operating budget for the San Francisco Zoological Society.

Commissioner Eickman explained that the Joint Zoo Committee reviewed the budget extensively and recommended that it be accepted.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16206

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the San Francisco Zoological Society's operating budget for fiscal year 1991-92.

7. 24TH AND YORK STREETS MINI PARK
FENCE IMPROVEMENTS

Approval of a request from the 24th Street Revitalization Committee for fencing improvements to the 24th and York Streets Mini Park.

Assistant Superintendent for Neighborhood Parks and Squares, Ron deLeon, explained that the 24th Street Revitalization Committee requested that a new fence be put in place to replace the existing fence at the 24th Street Mini Park. The original fence was placed in front of the park to discourage acts of vandalism, substance abuse and people who remain in the park throughout the evening disrupting the neighborhood. Funding for the fence has been obtained through the Mayor's Office of Community Development and was designed to enhance the murals that exist in the park. The fence will be placed wall to wall across the park and will be 8' high. Public seating will still be provided in front of the park when it is closed.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16207

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the 24th Street Revitalization Committee for fencing improvements to the 24th and York Streets Mini Park.

8. FOLSOM PLAYGROUND
PARK CLOSURE

Consideration to close Folsom Playground to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

Assistant Superintendent for Neighborhood Parks and Squares, Ron deLeon, explained that Folsom Playground is one of the facilities which has experienced substance abuse, rowdiness, vandalism and individuals congregating in the park in the late night hours. Staff is requesting that signage be placed in the park stating that the park is "Closed between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m." Fencing has now been placed at this site and the Police Department and the community support this proposal.

Commissioner Eickman noted that there was great support from the community to close the park in the evening hours.

In response to Commissioner Ruiz's question, General Manager Mary E. Burns, explained that there were sporadic problems in opening and closing the park due to a staffing change. A new director has been assigned to the park and opens and closes the park during the week; on weekends the park is opened and closed by Park Patrol.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16208

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the closure of Folsom Playground to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.

9. JUSTIN T. HERMAN PLAZA
TEMPORARY SCULPTURE

Consideration of request from Capp Street Project/AVT and Mowry Baden to exhibit a temporary sculpture at Justin Herman Plaza from September 1991 through April 1992.

Assistant Recreation Supervisor, Sharon Moyer, explained that this item is a request from the Capp Street Project to place a temporary sculpture at Justin Herman Plaza. Staff has required many terms and conditions which have been agreed to by the Capp Street Project, including a bond requirement and liability provision. The sculpture will not interfere with the gazebo or the stage at the Plaza and has been endorsed by the Arts Commission and Embarcadero Center. Staff has approved the method of installation. She further explained that staff felt that a 6 month installation was too long and that the Parks and Planning Committee recommended installation for a 4 month period with the understanding that the General Manager may, at her own discretion, remove the sculpture if it proves to be dangerous. There is concern that someone might get injured on this sculpture, particularly skateboarders.

Susan Miller, representing the Capp Street Project, asked the Commission to consider a 6 month exhibition period because an investment has been made to this project. She explained that staff has requested that concrete slabs be placed on the Plaza itself so that the piece would be placed on the slabs and that each slab weigh no more than 150 pounds per square foot. The sculpture weighs 500 pounds, is made of fabricated aluminum, beams are fastened to the piece and all components of the sculpture are durable. Visitors can go into the sculpture piece itself She further explained that matting will be used in the installation of the sculpture.

Ms. Burns was concerned about the liability issue from people climbing on the structure and perhaps injuring themselves. She emphasized the point that if an injury did occur she would be emphatic about removal of the sculpture.

In response to Ms. Miller's request for a 6 month installation, Commissioner Orr explained that if there are no mishaps during the 4 month period, she is free to write to the Commission asking for a 2 month extension.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16209

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from Capp Street Project/AVT and Mowry Baden to exhibit a temporary sculpture at Justin Herman Plaza from September, 1991 through January, 1992.

10. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
ROAD CLOSURES
THE RACE FOR THE CURE

Approval of request for road closures from City Sports on behalf of the Susan G. Komen Foundation for a 5K Run/Walk, "The RACE FOR THE CURE", for breast cancer in Golden Gate Park on Sunday, October 27, 1991.

Assistant Recreation Supervisor, Sharon Moyer, explained that this item is a request for road closures on the east end of Golden Gate Park in conjunction with a race to be held on October 27, 1991. She outlined the road closures and explained that at the end of the race musical and entertainment activities will be held in Sharon Meadow. The road closures will be from 8:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. The race begins at 9:00 a.m. and will not interfere with Stow Lake concession. She requested that sound be permitted prior to 9:00 a.m. for race announcements only. The event coordinator must provide a traffic management plan and be responsible for advance notification to all those affected by the road closures. She noted that the fee structure is still being reviewed by staff.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16210

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request for road closures from City Sports on behalf of the Susan G. Komen Foundation for a 5K Run/Walk, "The RACE FOR THE CURE", for breast cancer in Golden Gate Park on Sunday, October 27, 1991.

11. **UNION SQUARE**
MULTIPLE-DAY EVENT

Approval of request from Susan G. Komen Foundation (San Francisco Chapter) for a five-day event at Union Square from Sunday, October 6, 1991 through Thursday, October 10, 1991 at specified times.

Assistant Recreation Supervisor, Sharon Moyer, explained that this item is a request to hold a kick off rally in conjunction with "The Race for the Cure." The request is to hang banners in Union Square from 10/6/91 to 10/10/91 and to have the banners raised in the morning and lowered at 4:30 p.m. each day. Every day a mobile van will be parked on the sidewalk adjacent to the Square offering free mammograms from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Informational tables will be set up on breast cancer and the race. Ms. Moyer presented a sketch of the banners.

Commissioner Loos was concerned that the Department might be liable for any possible improperly diagnosed mammograms tests conducted at Union Square. Commissioner Guggenhime explained that since the Department does not provide the van it is not liable particularly since the van is not placed on park property.

11. UNION SQUARE
MULTIPLE-DAY EVENT (Continued)

Commissioner Orr was concerned about the policy on banners, particularly because of the advertising. Ms. Burns explained that the City Planning Code prohibits advertising on Recreation and Park facilities. The Code is not specific as to what happens when someone is sponsoring an event. The City Attorney has advised that it is permissible for the corporate sponsor to advertise on the day of the permitted activity.

Commissioner Orr felt that the main purpose of this event is to inform people about the issue and was somewhat bothered about listing all of the corporate sponsors on the banners. He felt it set a dangerous precedent to use Union Square for events that are sponsored by the businesses. He felt that the banners were a preliminary advertisement for the race and that the corporate logos should be removed. He stated that this could further commercialize Union Square.

President O'Connor commented that each day the event will be taking place at Union Square with the Race for the Cure representatives offering services relating to public health and disseminating information regarding breast cancer.

A discussion ensued regarding advertising for races and events. Comments were made that unless corporations are allowed to be listed in conjunction with events many activities would not take place.

Commissioner Loos stated that she would prefer to see the firms listed in a more dignified manner rather than the use of their logos.

Lynn Fox, representing the Race for the Cure, stated that it was her understanding that they would be able to put up 8 banners, 2 on each of the corners of the Square.

A discussion ensued regarding the number of banners and the size of the banners. The original request was for 8 banners and staff recommended 5 banners, 3' x 15' in size.

Commissioner Orr was willing to approve the request to use Union Square with the understanding that there is an event taking place on each of the days and that this action would not set a precedent for advertising.

President O'Connor stated that perhaps the Parks and Planning Committee should review the banner policy.

On motion of Commissioner Orr seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16211

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from Susan G. Komen Foundation (San Francisco Chapter) for a five-day event at Union Square from Sunday, October 6, 1991 through Thursday, October 10, 1991, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 5 banners will be raised at 9:30 a.m. and lowered at 4:30 p.m. on each day.

12. SAN FRANCISCO SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL
REFUND OF PERMIT FEE

Approval of the request to refund the Shakespeare in the Park permit fee for the 1991 season.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that the Shakespeare Festival has requested that its permit fee be refunded for the 1991 season. The festival has documented several problems of vandalism, homeless activity, etc., which has cost them unplanned expenses. Staff has met with Mr. Winston, of the Shakespeare Festival, and have developed a mutually agreeable resolution. Staff recommended that the Festival provide an in kind service for the Department's Young People Music Theatre Company in exchange for the fee. Mr. Robinson suggested that in future the Department may consider co-sponsoring this event.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16212

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to refund the Shakespeare in the Park permit fee in the amount of $1,900 for the 1991 season, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Shakespeare Festival will provide services in the amount of $1,900 to the Young People's Musical Theatre Company operated through the Recreation Divison.

13. CANDLESTICK PARK
BUTLER CATERING
1991 LUXURY SUITE CATERING PRICES

Approval of Butler's 1991 menu and prices.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained the majority of these menu items have already been offered. Staff has reviewed the prices and found them to be comparable to prices offered at other stadium luxury suites. He noted that those who do not want to use Butler Catering service may bring their own items into the suites. Butler Catering is also asking that a 15% gratuity be incorporated into the bill.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, also explained that an additional 20% fee is charged if an order is placed after the deadline.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

13. **CANDLESTICK PARK**
BUTLER CATERING
1991 LUXURY SUITE CATERING PRICES (Continued)

RES. NO. 16213

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies Butler Catering's 1991 menu and prices for the 1991 football season, as follows:

New items:	Price
Roasted Peanuts in the Shell (12 Bags)	18.00
Cole Slaw	28.00
Turkey Dogs	39.00
Clos Du Bois Chardonnay	24.00
Acacia Pinot Noir - Carneros	25.00
Clos du Bois Merlot	28.00
Clos du Bois Cabernet Sauvignon	27.00
Old Smuggler Scotch	20.00
Bombay Gin	28.00
Amaretto	36.00
Bud Dry	12.00
Coors	12.00
Coors Light	12.00
O'Douls (non-alcoholic)	12.00
Tomato Juice (qt)	7.00
Ice (10 lbs)	5.00
Combined Item:	
Tortilla Chips with Guacamole and Salsa Fresca	36.00

Additional Items: (Items previously sold but not approved by Commission)

Coffee for 12 (regular or decaffeinated)	18.00
Crystal Geyser Water	7.50
Sweet & Sour Mix	6.00
25 Beer Cups	5.00
Olives, Onions, Cherries	2.50

Replacements:
Wolfschmidt Vodka for Gordon's
Burnett Gin for Gordon's

14. **COIT TOWER/PIONEER PARK**
RENTAL POLICY

Approval of rental policy for private use of Coit Tower and Pioneer Park.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item was removed from the calendar because the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee raised many questions regarding the size of the bond, security requirements, etc., and staff needs to analyze those items in greater detail.

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15. KEZAR PARKING LOT
TRANSIENT PARKING RATE INCREASE

Approval of increases in transient parking rates to recapture revenues lost to increased parking tax at Kezar Parking Lot.

Director of Property Management, Lucinda Pope Scanlan, explained that this item is a request to increase the transient parking rate for the Kezar Parking lot. The last approved increase was in 1/89. The proposed increase is $.25 per hour in each category. The reasons for the increase include an increase in the City's parking tax from 20 to 25% and because the operator has borne several wage increases for the operator's employees. For security reasons, the Kezar operator is required to staff the lot 24 hours a day even though the night business does not support this 24 hour operation.

She further explained that the special event rate would remain unchanged at $3.00 and that the validation books would remain unchanged at $75.00. Because the hourly parking rate is going up and the validation books are staying the same price, the validation program will now offer to merchants a discount as well as the convenience of providing validation to patrons. The operator has agreed to accept up to two validation tickets per patron, each worth one hour of parking.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16214

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the increases in transient parking rates at the Kezar Parking Lot, effective October 1, 1991, and to establish a validation book for the Kezar Parking Lot, as follows:

Hour	Present Rate	Approved Rate
1st Hour	$. 75	$1.00
2nd Hour	$1.25	$1.75
3rd Hour	$2.00	$2.75
4th Hour	$2.50	$4.00
5th Hour	$3.00	$4.50
6th Hour	$4.00	$5.00
7th Hour +	$5.00	No change
Special Event Rate	$3.00	No change
Validation Book (100 -1 hr tickets)	$75.00	No change

3:10 p.m. to 3:50 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session.

16. SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16215

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the settlement of claim in the matter of the City and County of San Francisco versus Golden Gate Heights Investments, Case No. 915-867.

17. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
ATTORNEY/CLIENT CONFERENCE

The Commission will convene in closed session with the City Attorney to discuss potential litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(c) of the California Government Code.

ACTION: No formal action was taken by the Commission.

18. **MBE/WBE ORDINANCE**
PRESENTATION BY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Presentation by the Executive Director, Human Rights Commission on the Minority Business Enterprise/Women Business Enterprise Ordinance.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the amendments to the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance require that the Director of the Human Rights Commission brief each Commission that is affected by this ordinance.

Director of the Human Rights Commission, Ed Lee, explained that it is his responsibility to carry out the monitoring functions of the Minority Business/Women Business Ordinance (MBE/WBE) (Chapter 12B of the Administrative Code) and to maximize opportunities for women and minorities. The current ordinance has a number of changes that took effect on 7/1/91 to improve and strengthen it.

He highlighted the pertinent points and amendments to the ordinance including:

°Set Aside Provision. The Human Rights Commission can set aside a contract to be bid by qualified minority and women firms.

°Professional Service Contract. The Human Rights Commission is now authorized to intervene or suspend a selection process that it believes may exclude qualified minority and women firms.

°The Human Rights Commission must be notified of large contracts (a construction project over $5 Million; professional services over $50,000) so that it may have an opportunity to ascertain whether or not that contract should be broken down into smaller pieces.

°The Human Rights Commission has an improved data system to give the Departments the current pool of available and eligible MBE/WBE. A directory will be offered and updated every month.

°The Human Rights Commission is offering large downtown lawfirms the opportunity to sign an affirmative action agreement with the Commission which will guarantee the hiring of minorities.

In response to Commissioner Loos' question, Mr. Lee explained that his Department is developing a program to address the bond requirements for MBE/WBE firms.

19. **HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION**
REVIEW OF CLAIM

Presentation by Executive Director, Human Rights Commission, on the complaint filed by Diddo Clark.

Don Hesse, representing the Human Rights Commission, explained that the Human Rights Commission ensures that discrimination does not exist in City contracts. Ms. Clark is a party complaining of practices that have existed at the South End Rowing Club. Mr. Hesse, was the principal investigator for this claim and spent the last 1-1/2 years studying and investigating this case. Ms. Clark filed 16 allegations claiming there was disparate treatment.

Mr. Hesse stated that, after discussing Ms. Clark's allegations, he felt there might be some basis for her allegations. He explained that the historical context of the Club was that it was a male only, exclusive club for over 100 years, which just recently opened to women. Ms. Clark's complaints were very specific and detailed with dates, times and quotations which seemed to give her allegations a great deal of credibility. He stated that the Club had to overcome a tremendous imbalance in his mind but that they were able to accomplish this feat.

Mr. Hesse explained that the South End Rowing Club is a group of people who get together on an informal basis because they share a common interest. There are no paid employees, and tasks are accomplished through volunteerism creating an informal atmosphere at the Club. He noted that the women members of the club have achieved a role of full equality on every level of activity. He stated that the Point Bonita Swim has created a great deal of conflict for the Club and Ms. Clark.

One of the allegations Mr. Hesse analyzed was whether or not the policy and practices of the club were sexist; and regardless of this was Ms. Clark treated in a way that was discriminatory based on her gender.

Mr. Hesse explained that the Point Bonita Swim was held in 1988 with the Club's endorsement. In 1989 Ms. Clark proceeded to put on the Point Bonita Swim as if she had the same approval that existed in 1988. The Club wanted to separate itself from that swim and did not want any club identification with the Point Bonita Swim. He stated that the record is clear that the South End Rowing Club did not want to be associated with the Point Bonita Swim. He explained that the issue is not whether or not the Point Bonita Swim is safe or a wonderful athletic event but rather does the South End Rowing Club have the authority to commit the use of the facility. He stated that there is no question that the Board of the Club is authorized by the Recreation and Park Commission to have such authority. Ms. Clark chose to contravene the direct orders of the Club and proceed with her event.

Ms. Stretch, who is a member of the South End Rowing Club Board, administered the punishment process for Ms. Clark. He felt the process itself was done fairly. The suspension pertained to club sponsored events only; the suspension did not apply to use of the facility. Mr. Hesse explained that the Club had only 1 other instance when a member was suspended from the Club.

19. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
REVIEW OF CLAIM (Continued)

Mr. Hesse explained that he made a series of recommendations to the Club. He read in particular, recommendation #5, which states "The Board and the Complainant are strongly urged to take whatever steps that are necessary, including use of third party mediators, to resolve all of the outstanding issues between them." He further stated the Commission on the Status of Women has reviewed this claim and concurs with the findings.

D. Trevor, representing the Golden Gate Swimmers, stated that 6 members of the Dolphin and South End Clubs swear that the South End Club discriminates against women and that the Club would not have punished Diddo Clark for creating the Point Bonita Swim if she were a man.

John Balch, representing the Golden Gate Swimmers, stated that the South End Rowing Club did not follow club procedure and convicted Ms. Clark even though she was innocent. He stated that the rowing commissioner revoked her rowing privileges without reason and she was not given the opportunity to appeal or be heard. He stated that he felt Ms. Clark was harassed by the South End Rowing Club.

Diddo Clark, stated that she has never violated South End Rowing Club rules and has never damaged South End property but has been deprived the use of the Club for over 2 years because she organized the Point Bonita Swim and refused the Board 's decision to be suspended. She applauded the Human Rights Commission's recommendation regarding mediation and asked that the South End Rowing Club Board stop punishing her.

Nancy Stretch, representing the South End Rowing Club, stated that she was happy to hear Mr. Hesse's positive statements about the South End Club. She stated that through much discussions the Club learned a great deal. She informed the Commission that the Club stands ready to resolve the situation. She further explained that the Club has been sued by Ms. Clark and it will be difficult to mediate but she was very willing to sit down with Mr. Hesse and Ms. Clark to resolve the issues if they can be separated from the lawsuit. The Club was prepared to adopt the recommendations but cautioned Ms. Clark to stop damaging club property.

President O'Connor commented that the Department did not have any additional personnel to act as an arbitrator.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16216

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the recommendations of the Human Rights Commission in conjunction with the claim filed by Ms. Diddo Clark.

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Commissioner Guggenhime commented that much time, hours and money was spent on this case. He urged all the parties to stop using City resources and to work toward an amicable agreement.

19a. WASHINGTON SQUARE
SECURITY LIGHTING PROJECT
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Approval of a supplemental appropriation in the amount of $110,000, for the Washington Square security lighting project.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that a number of years ago the North Beach merchants were anxious to have security lighting at Washington Square. A lighting plan has now been developed and in order to expedite the project she asked the Commission to approve a Supplemental Appropriation in the amount of $110,000 from any available funding source. Ms. Burns has spoken to the Director of Finance for the Mayor's Office, Mr. Yockey, who is expecting this Supplemental. She further explained that actual design will be calendared for consideration by the Commission in the near future.

Commissioner Orr clarified the point that the funding for this project would not come from the Department.

In response to Commissioner Eickman's statement, Ms. Burns explained that the merchants have raised funding for the lighting design and are committed to raise a maintenance endowment fund if necessary for the project.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16217

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves submission of a Supplemental Appropriation request in the amount of $110,000, for the Washington Square security lighting project.

20. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Loos, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16218

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $8,300.00, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From Richard and Rebecca Eichelberger, plantings for the orchid collection, valued at $500.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

b. From Golden Gate Orchids, plantings for the orchid collection, valued at $200.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

c. From San Francisco Orchid Society, plantings for the orchid collection, valued at $1100.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

d. From Species West, plantings for the orchid collection, valued at $500.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

20. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS (Continued) RES. NO. 16218 (Continued)

e. From William Schooley, 200 plantings for the orchid collection, valued at $4000.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

f. From H. Abbott, III, $2,000.00, for the orchid collection at the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate letters of thanks be sent to the donors.

21. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Richard Kurz inquired into the possibility of using the Anglers Lodge for his wedding. He felt that since it was a public building it should be available for rental to the public. He also learned that the Commission turned down a proposal to rent Angler's Lodge and inquired as to the reasoning behind this decision.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, stated that the terms and conditions for the building provided that it must be used for fly casting activities. A few years back the Commission considered making the building available for rental for other purposes. But for a variety of reasons including the value of the flys and the inability to secure them, it was decided to not pursue this proposal.

22. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President O'Connor welcomed Sue Sommer Loos to the Commission and assigned her to chair the Golden Gate Park Committee and to be a member of the Recreation Program and Mather Committee.

23. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of August 8, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of September 3, 1991
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of September 5, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of September 5, 1991

24. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Virginia Fusco, a community activist in the Marina District, who passed away.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Fred Methner, a community activist in the Eureka Valley District, who passed away.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, the meeting was adjourned in memory of John Scalone of the Employees Relations Division of the Mayor's Office, who passed away.

The 662nd Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

San Francisco, California
October 7, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1991 - 3:30 P.M.

The Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Monday, October 7, 1991, at 3:30 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. **ROLL CALL**

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Trent Orr
Absent:
Commissioner Sue Sommer Loos
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. **RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT**
EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Commission will convene in Executive Session to consider the appointment of the Superintendent of Parks, Recreation and Park Department.

3:05 p.m. - 3:40 p.m. the Commission convened in Executive Session.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the Superintendent of Parks position is legendary in the Recreation and Park Department, with predecessors including William Hammond Hall who designed Golden Gate Park, John McLaren who served in the position for 53 years, Jack Spring who was later General Manager of the Department and Barney Barron who has served in this role since 1978.

Ms. Burns informed the Commission that her choice for the Superintendent of Parks position is Ronald de Leon.

2. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
EXECUTIVE SESSION (Continued)

Ms. Burns stated that Mr. de Leon has demonstrated his administrative skills over the last few years in his position of Assistant Superintendent of Neighborhood Parks and Squares. He has superb people skills, and the respect of his own staff and co-workers throughout the Department. She noted that one of Ron's greatest skills is his ability to listen to various points of view and while he may not be able to make everybody happy he certainly lets everybody feel like they have been heard. She further stated that Mr. de Leon brings the kind of attitude and analytical skills which will serve him well in the following years.

In closing, Ms. Burns commended Barney Barron, who has served the Department so well for many years and made San Francisco one of the best park districts in the country.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16219

RESOLVED, That this Commission confirms the appointment of Ronald de Leon as Superintendent of Parks, Recreation and Park Department.

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President O'Connor congratulated Mr. de Leon and wished him the best of luck.

Mr. de Leon stated it was an honor to be selected Superintendent of Parks and to follow in the footsteps of Messrs. Hall, McLaren, Spring and Barron. He felt the position would be a challenge which he looked forward to and thanked the Commission for the vote of confidence.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No public comment was given.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

San Francisco, California
October 17, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

663RD REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Sixty-Third Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, October 17, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Sue Sommer Loos
Commissioner Trent Orr
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

Absent:
Commissioner Sidney Chan

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 19, 1991, were approved as presented.

Recreation and Park Commission Minutes
October 17, 1991

43. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Acting General Manager Phil Arnold submitted the following report:

"INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEES

At this time I would like to take the opportunity to introduce Mark Jurosek, the new Assistant Zoo Director for Operations and Capital Development. Mark began working for the Department in September and will be in charge of the $26 million Zoo infrastructure replacement project to replace all underground utilities in the entire Zoo over the next 5 - 6 years. He also will be in charge of capital construction and will supervise maintenance, horticulture and custodial security. For the last nine years Mark has worked on construction management projects in different areas of the United States. Most recently he worked on the construction of a $60 million facility in Fremont, California. His experience is extensive with construction trades, architects and operations. Please join me in welcoming Mark to our staff.

I would also like to introduce to you Ali-Reza Zebarjadian our new Industrial Hygienist at the Zoo. Among Ali's many duties will be the development and implementation of an illness and injury prevention program and reviewing safety procedures for the animal work area. Prior to his employment with this department Ali was engaged as an on-site industrial hygienist and environmental engineer for the Environmental Innovation Corporation, an environmental consulting firm. He also worked on a variety of building surveys of potential hazardous materials in civilian and government buildings and in industrial facilities and schools. He has experience with asbestos abatement, worker training and state and federal regulations and air sampling. Welcome, Ali.

ZOO DIRECTOR ATTENDS MEETINGS IN SINGAPORE

David Anderson, Zoo Director, recently returned from Singapore where he represented the San Francisco Zoo at the Captive Breeding Specialist meeting of the International Union for Conservation of Nature. He also attended the meeting of the International Union for Directors of Zoological Gardens. Both of these meetings are critical in the international coordination of conservation efforts by our institution.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Julius Kahn Clubhouse- On October 10, 1991, the Golden Gate National Recreation Area Advisory Commission and the U.S. Army, Presidio of San Francisco, gave final approval for expansion of Julius Kahn Clubhouse. Construction of the new clubhouse which will be given as a "gift in place" by Richard and Rhoda Goldman will begin at the end of this month. Construction is expected to be completed in May of 1992.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

YOU GOTTA HAVE PARK DAY

The Friends of Recreation and Parks will hold its First Annual "You Gotta Have Park Day" on Saturday, October 19, beginning at 9:00 a.m. At this time neighborhood and user groups of Golden Gate Park will work with park gardeners, working as volunteers, cleaning up sections of the Park. At noon, participants in the cleanup will be treated to a hotdog lunch and entertainment sponsored by the Friends of Recreation and Parks. This event is modeled after the "You Gotta Have Park" days sponsored by the Central Park Conservancy. A flyer is at your place and all are encouraged to come and participate in the event.

FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM

The City Attorney has informed us that a claim against the Recreation and Park Department has been settled in favor of the Department. The claim resulted from an injury which occurred in the Japanese Tea Garden. Several similar claims have been filed in the last few years. All of the claims have alleged that certain artistic features of the Tea Garden are dangerous. The settlement is welcome news for the Department because it gives support to the Department's position that the design of the Tea Garden is not dangerous and does not need to be altered. Thanks to Kimberly Reiley and her staff in the City Attorney's office for their work on this case.

STRYBING ARBORETUM RENOVATIONS

Two new gardens are beginning to take shape at Strybing Arboretum. In keeping with the Arboretum's Mediterranean climates theme and following the master plan, a new Chilean collection is being constructed. Fifty-one tons of large 2-3 ton moss rocks and 140 cubic yards of sand and soil mix have been brought in to create a foundation for the plant collection. The new garden will be located just west of the "Friend" gate.

At the same time, a small Australian Rock Garden is being built in the raised circle just inside the "Friend" gate. Funds for construction of both these gardens are from the Strybing Arboretum Society.

STRYBING ARBORETUM EVENT

On Saturday, October 5, the Strybing Arboretum Society held an open house celebration, "A World of Gardens." Even though the weather was cool and foggy, approximately 3,500 people attended. A good time was had by all strolling through the gardens, listening to ethnic music and storytelling and purchasing plants from specialty nurseries around the Bay Area.

HALLOWEEN EVENTS

In your packet you will find a schedule of the Recreation Division's Halloween Events. The events will be held from October 26th through the 31st and promise to provide something for everyone.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

STOW LAKE CONCESSION

On October 16, the Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors reviewed the Stow Lake lease recommended by this Commission. The Finance Committee did not agree with the twenty-year term recommended by the Commission and requested that the Commission consider a fifteen-year term instead. The concessionaire has agreed to the 15-year term under the same conditions that were included in the twenty-year term. The lease will be considered by the Board of Supervisors on October 28. A special meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission has been called for October 23 to consider reducing the term of this new lease from twenty to fifteen years.

COMMISSIONER RUIZ TO RECEIVE AWARD

Commissioner Sam Ruiz will be a recipient of one of the esteemed Daniel E. Koshland Awards for 1991. He was chosen for his work in the Mission community. The award will be presented at a ceremony to be held on Wednesday, October 30 at the Mission Neighborhood Centers. Congratulations, Commissioner Ruiz!

SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS TO RETIRE

As you are aware, Barney Barron, Superintendent of Parks, will be retiring from the Department. His last day with us is today, with official retirement in February. Barney joined the Recreation and Park Department in April, 1956 as a gardener in Golden Gate Park. Through the years he has held many positions with the Department -- Nurseryman, Park Section Supervisor, Area Supervisor and his present position of Superintendent of Parks. During his career he has received numerous awards including: The "Nick of Time" Award from Mayor Feinstein for preparing Candlestick Park field for N.F.L. play-off games; recognition for his implementation of the Comprehensive Turf Management Program for Candlestick Park which lead to Candlestick being recognized as the finest natural surface field in the National Baseball League; and the esteemed SPUR Award for Managerial Excellence.

One of the most often described attributes of Barney is his "open door" policy. He has always been willing to listen to an employee's concern or to a citizen's complaint even when no appointment has been made. His sense of humor, his wit, and his negotiating skills are well known. On a personal note, Barney has been both a mentor and a friend during the years that I have been with the Recreation and Park Department. Barney, I know that this Commission and staff wish you the best in your retirement.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF GOLDEN GATE PARK

On a sadder note, Jim Rogers, Assistant Superintendent of Golden Gate Park passed away last Friday night, October 11th, at his weekend home in Cloverdale. Jim was 60 years old. After 13 years as a gardener, foreman and Park Section Supervisor, Jim was appointed Assistant Superintendent of Parks and Squares in 1975. In 1984 he was appointed to Assistant Superintendent of Golden Gate Park, the position he held until his retirement last April. At Jim's request there will be no formal service. However, the Department will commemorate Jim's contributions with a memorial tree-planting at an appropriate time in the near future. At his request anyone so wishing may make a donation to Marin Home Care, Hospice of Sonoma County or the American Cancer Society. Addresses may be obtained from Shauna Rose.

MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT (Under $5000)

Claimant	Amount	Claimant	Amount
Brand	$ 588.34	Logvin	$ 317.94
Kaiser	142.00	Bastiannse	158.00
Xavier	197.99	Fitzgerald	317.66
Wong	500.00	Corona	84.13
Creighton	257.79	Angell	956.00

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, October 23, 1991	Recreation Program and Mather Committee, 3:30 p.m., Julius Kahn Clubhouse
Wednesday, October 23, 1991	Special Commission Meeting 4:30 p.m., Julius Kahn Clubhouse
Tuesday, November 5, 1991	Parks and Planning Committee :00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, November 6, 1991	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:30 p.m. (tour), 5:00 p.m. (meeting), S.F. Zoo
Thursday, November 7, 1991	Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Monday, November 11, 1991	Veterans Day Holiday
Friday, November 15, 1991	Barney Barron Retirement Dinner, Irish Cultural Center"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. PERSONNEL MATTERS — RES. NO. 16220

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period September 5, 1991, through October 2, 1991.

b. UPPER NOE RECREATION CENTER
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT — RES. NO. 16221

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the multiple day event at Upper Noe Recreation Center for filming of a movie.

c. MISSION RECREATION CENTER
NOE BEAVER MINI PARK PROJECTS
TRANSFER OF FUNDS — RES. NO. 16222

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a $26,000 transfer of funds from Mission Recreation Center Projects to Project for Noe Beaver Minipark for redesign of Noe Beaver Mini Park, as previously approved by the Recreation and Park Commission.

d. GLEN CANYON PARK
CONTRACT MODIFICATION — RES. NO. 16223

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a contract modification in the amount of $5,000 to include the services of a subconsultant (Conservation Biology Program, San Francisco State University) to conduct an insect inventory of Glen Canyon Park.

e. TENDERLOIN RECREATION CENTER
BACKPACKING TRIP TO YOSEMITE — RES. NO. 16224

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Tenderloin Recreation Center backpacking trip to Yosemite, October 19-20, 1991

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

David Anderson, Zoo Director, explained the animal transactions: the zebra previously sold by the Zoo to Mr. Schulz was purchased back by the Zoo. Staff was concerned about this institution and therefore purchased the animal. The animal was then sold to the Glen Oak Zoo.

RES. NO. 16225

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

PURCHASED FROM: J. C. Schulz
Route #1, Box 133
Catskill, NY 12412
USDA #21-FY

One (1) male Grant's Zebra, valued at $3,800.00. Payment to be made from the Animal Purchase Account.

SOLD TO: Glen Park Zoo
2218 North Prospect Road
Peoria, Illinois
USDA #33-C-1

One (1) male Grant's Zebra, valued at $750.00. Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account.

6. MISSION PLAYGROUND
PLAY AREA FENCING

Approval of a request from the community to fence the children's play area in Mission Playground.

Assistant Superintendent of Neighborhood Parks and Squares, Ron de Leon, reported that this item is a request to place a 4'x 8' fence around the children's play area at Mission Playground. The neighborhood and park users initiated this request. The intent is to delineate the play area as a place for children as opposed to a place to drink alcohol, sell/use drugs or other kinds of unacceptable behavior. The fencing will be similar to that which is in place at Alta Plaza. He noted that the fence alone will not solve all the problems at the playground, but will help to curtailsome of the unacceptable behavior taking place at the park. The 1991-92 Open Space Program will fund this project.

6. MISSION PLAYGROUND
PLAY AREA FENCING (Continued)

Dan Harris, Chair of the Mission Playground Neighborhood Association, supported the project and said that he has been working with the Department and the Police Department to remove the undesirable elements at the park. He felt the fence would help to alleviate the problem and define the areas of the playground.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee and on motion of Commissioner Orr seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16226

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the community to fence the children's play area in Mission Playground.

7. PALACE OF FINE ARTS
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT

Approval of request from Creative Marketing Incentives, Inc. (CMI) for a multiple day event from Tuesday, October 22, 1991 through Thursday, October 24, 1991 at specified times at the Rotunda, extending to the grassy areas at the Palace of Fine Arts for a luncheon.

Assistant Recreation Supervisor, Sharon Moyer, explained that this item is a request for a multiple day event to be held at the Palace of Fine Arts by Apple Computer for its convention. Tents will be set up for 3 days. The original request was amended and they now want 2 additional days to set up and break down the event. She recommended approval of the permit with the following conditions: amplified sound will not be permitted at the Palace of Fine Arts, a $1 million dollar liability insurance is provided and all requirements as outlined by the Department's Structural Maintenance Division are followed.

In response to Commissioner Orr's question, Ms. Moyer explained that the permit fee was $2,700 and the tents would be placed underneath the rotunda.

In response to Commissioner Loos' question, Ms. Moyer explained that the tents would not be attached to any park property. The Park Division has given approval to add pillars and to attach the tents to the pillars.

On the recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee and on motion of Commissioner Orr seconded by Commissioner Eickman the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16227

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from Creative Marketing Incentives, Inc. (CMI) for a multiple day event from Sunday, October 20, 1991 through Thursday, October 24, 1991, including the extension of days for set up and take down, at specified times at the Rotunda, extending to the grassy areas at the Palace of Fine Arts for a luncheon.

8. UNION SQUARE
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT

Approval of request from Macy's California, Inc. for a multiple day event in Union Square from Wednesday, November 20, 1991 through Tuesday, December 31, 1991 at specified times for a "White Christmas" on Union Square.

Assistant Recreation Supervisor, Sharon Moyer, explained that this item is a request to use Union Square for a large scale event from Wednesday, November 20 through Tuesday, December 31. The Christmas tree will be similar to the one installed last year and has been approved by the Department of Public Works. Macy's wants to add snow to Union Square and will be responsible for replacing all the foliage, plants, etc., which may be damaged. The request also includes the placement of a 30' by 60' ice rink to be removed 11/29/91. Macy's will apply for sidewalk permits from the Police Department and the previously approved permit to display the Menorah will not take place until 12/1/91. Ms. Moyer explained that the proposed method of installation and specifications have been approved by staff and the Department of Public Works. No food vending will be allowed for this event. A $10,000 bond is required as well as a $1 million insurance policy. Amplified sound will conform to Commission policy.

Commissioner Orr stressed the point that the emphasis on tree recycling was applicable only to the Macy's tree. He questioned the banners and the use of logos and/or advertising. He stated that if advertising were on the banners the Committee recommended approval of the banners for the actual days of the event only.

Betty Schneider, representing Macy's, explained that Macy's will hang banners for a short duration. Since the tree lighting ceremony is on Friday, November 29, she requested that the banners be placed on Monday, 11/25/91 and removed Monday 12/2/91.

In response to Commissioner Orr's question, Ms. Schneider stated that the banner message will state, "Join us for our Tree Lighting Ceremony" and give the date. Commissioner Orr was concerned about displaying a commercial message a week in advance of an event as it advertises Macy's. Ms. Schneider commented that the original banner contained logos and that it had been modified to not state Macy's.

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question, **Mr. Larry Hashbarger, Director of Special Productions for Macy's,** responded that the cost of the Union Square holiday event will cost approximately $450,000.

In response to Commissioner Loos' question, Ms. Schneider described the process to be used to make the snow by grinding up ice blocks. The snow will be made during Thanksgiving Day but not during evening hours. Macy's will utilize a soundproof truck to subdue the noise level.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that the permit fee will be calendared for the November Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee. Commissioner Orr felt that a substantial fee should be required for the event and that the Department should carefully make a damage assessment at the conclusion of the multiple day event.

8. UNION SQUARE
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT (Continued)

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16228

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from Macy's California, Inc. for a multiple day event in Union Square from Wednesday, November 20, 1991 through Tuesday, December 31, 1991 at specified times for a "White Christmas" on Union Square with conditions as outlined in the permit.

A discussion ensued regarding banners in general, advertising and message contained in them, etc. The Commission felt that this entire matter should be discussed and guidelines adopted by the Commission.

9. GOLDEN GATE PARK
SHARON MEADOW
GLOBAL EXCHANGE TWO DAY EVENT

A. Request for approval of a two-day event at Sharon Meadow in Golden Gate Park on Saturday, October 12, and Sunday, October 13, 1991, for the Second Annual Reggae in the Park Festival.

B. Appeal of the denial of the fee waiver for the Second Annual Reggae in the Park Festival.

President O'Connor stated that the supporting material presented to the Commission outlined all of the issues.

Assistant Recreation Supervisor, Sharon Moyer, explained that the permit fee had been paid and the group had withdrawn its fee waiver request.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16229

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the request of a two-day event at Sharon Meadow in Golden Gate Park on Saturday, October 12, and Sunday, October 13, for the Second Annual Reggae in the Park Festival.

10. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR RECYCLING CENTER
TEMPORARY LEASE EXTENSION

Approval of temporary lease extension for Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council Kezar Recycling Center pending a public meeting regarding its plan of operation.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council has asked to exercise its option, under the terms of the 3-year agreement, to continue to operate the recycling center.

10. GOLDEN GATE PARK
KEZAR RECYCLING CENTER
TEMPORARY LEASE EXTENSION (Continued)

The operating agreement has not been finalized. Pending the finalization of the agreement, the Center is operating on a month-to-month basis. Mr. Arnold commented that Mr. Bradley Akin wrote a letter objecting to some of the aspects of the recycling center, particularly the noise. Staff and HANC are now working to reduce the noise and will incorporate this issue into the operating agreement. He recommended approval pending adoption of the operating agreement which will be calendared in the near future.

On recommendation of the Golden Gate Park Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16230

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the temporary lease extension for Haight Ashbury Recycling Center pending a public meeting regarding its plan of operation.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK
PANHANDLE
PAVED AREA NEAR MASONIC AVENUE

Consideration of proposal to convert the Panhandle paved area near Masonic Avenue to landscaped area and recreational use.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is a proposal to reduce the existing paved area by 50% west of Masonic in the Panhandle, and to provide recreational use of this paved area. Mr. Arnold noted that the Golden Gate Park Transportation Management Plan states that "...Roadways that are not required for access to park facilities... are not part of the designated throughway system and should be removed and replaced with appropriate landscaping and recreational pathways." The 1983 City Attorney Opinion responding to the question "May public parkland owned by the City and County of San Francisco be used for the purposes of a public parking lot?" stated that it is permissible, provided that its use is ancillary to or supportive of a public recreational facility. A second City Attorney Opinion issued in January 1987 stated, "All properties under the jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission must be devoted to public recreational and park purposes."

In light of the City Attorney opinions and the Transportation Plan, Mr. Arnold felt the use of the Panhandle area for parking violates Commission policy. However, two non-recreational interest groups, St. Agnes Church and Urban School, have been using the parking lot for their own purposes. He noted that over the past few weeks he had surveyed the area and found that on weekends John Adams School has 70 spaces in its lot. This lot is a block from the Panhandle and could be used by the church. The Department of Motor Vehicles parking lot could be used by the Urban School for their evening meetings as an alternative to the Panhandle parking lot.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK
PANHANDLE
PAVED AREA NEAR MASONIC AVENUE (Continued)

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's question, Mr. Arnold outlined the parking lot areas in the vicinity which include the Kezar Parking Lot and St. Mary's Hospital garage.

Robert Littlejohn, of St. Agnes Church explained that those who enjoy the park use the Panhandle lot for parking. He felt that those who visit the Golden Gate Park need an area to park their vehicles.

Leonard Fitzpatrick former Superintendent of Recreation, stated that permits are issued for parking in this area for merchants, organizations, and people and not just for St. Agnes Church and Urban School. He noted that the Department's symphony orchestra and chorus uses St. Agnes Church free of charge for their concerts and that the church has been cooperative with the Department. He further stated that the Park Policy and the City Attorneys' Opinions cited were not issued in relationship to this particular item. He stated that this area has been used for over 30 years in this fashion and urged the Commission to not change its use.

Pearl Fitzpatrick, spoke in opposition to removal of the paved area and voiced her objection to the leaflets that were posted protesting the continuation of the parking lot which categorized St. Agnes Church and Urban School as "special interest groups."

Catherine Marconi, stated that the Panhandle area is the last bit of the main drive extension into the park and is reminiscent of the City's horse and buggy days. She felt that it was discriminatory to change Panhandle parking area use and not change the use of the Kezar Parking Lot. She asked how this proposal would be funded.

Jacob Sigg, spoke in support of the proposal to remove the paved area and felt that a few special interest groups were making a plea to retain the parking lot. He stated that the Commission had a broader duty to the people of the City to support Golden Gate Park.

Joseph Gordon of St. Agnes Church, has lived in the City 25 years and felt that this parking lot has been used by everybody, not just the church. He felt that, as a taxpayer and voter, he should be able to use the parking lot.

Jung Lee, a St. Agnes parishioner and resident of the Richmond District stated that he is now able to use the Panhandle lot on Sunday, when he brings his family to church. He urged the Commission to reconsider changing this area and stated that he had a petition of Koreans he represented who felt the same way.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK
PANHANDLE
PAVED AREA NEAR MASONIC AVENUE (Continued)

Gregg Garr of the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council, spoke in support of the staff proposal particularly since the lot is adjacent to a children's playground. He stressed that parks should be a sanctuary from the automobile and noted that getting cars out of Golden Gate Park was a high priority in the Golden Gate Park Master Plan. He stated that it was the Commissioners' responsibility to protect and enhance the parks, recreation facilities and open spaces and that it was timely to remove the parking area from this portion of the Panhandle.

Leo Slattery a St. Agnes parishioner, stated that he played in the Panhandle area as a child in 1917. Since he is handicapped the lot is very helpful to him. He hoped the Commission would consider maintaining the parking lot for his use.

Anna Cordera, reminded the Commission that a drought was still going on and landsaping this part of the park would "draw" on the City's water supplies. She also stated that St. Agnes Church has many elderly people who can't walk 2-3 blocks to attend church.

Louise Mozingo a resident of the Haight, a registered Landscape Architect, a member of St. Agnes parish and also a faculty member for the Department of Landscape Architecture at University of California, Berkeley, stated that she has closely observed the Panhandle over the past 5 years. She felt that because of the tot lot, asphalt courts, martial arts, and other recreational activities offered at this location, the parking lot encourages and facilitates people using this section of the park. She urged the Commission to reconsider this proposed action.

Deborah Breed President of the Parent's Association at the Urban School, cited that parents have programs in the evening and only occasionally on weekends. Therefore the John Adams parking lot would not be an alternative for them. She noted that Urban School's concern is not only the inconvenience to the parents, but the inconvenience to the neighborhood if the lot is removed.

Ellen Benjamin presented the Commission with 100 signatures of neighbors who were opposed to parking in the Panhandle. She stated that her friend, Ms. Carshover who lives on Fell Street opposite the parking lot, has observed parking during the weekend and wanted to report that she had witnessed many accidents and potential accidents. Ms. Benjamin said the she and her neighbors were members of PROUD, Panhandle Residents Opposed to Urban Development, and wanted to keep the Panhandle clean and not used as a dumping site.

Genevieve Castagnetto a new parishioner at St. Agnes Church said that she attends mass at this location because of the parking lot and urged the Commission to allow this practice to continue.

Troyann Nilsen, stated that the parking lot is very convenient and felt the cost to tear up the paved area would be considerable. She stated that as a member of the Friends of Recreation and Parks she spoke in favor of maintaining parking areas in the City.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK
PANHANDLE
PAVED AREA NEAR MASONIC AVENUE (Continued)

Gladys LeBow, said that she was very interested in maintaining the parking area since parking is difficult throughout the City. She felt that there was plenty of recreational areas in the Panhandle and that the lot is used by many groups, not just the church.

Ann Marie Day of St. Agnes Parish, told the Commission that 400 new Koreans have adopted this church as well as a large Filipino population. All kinds of activities take place at the church and these activities are free and open to the public. She noted that many people in the parish would be unable to walk from John Adams lot and will go somewhere else.

Clara Pereira, concurred with those who spoke in favor of retaining the lot and felt that there was a danger that the community could decline if there were not special interest groups.

Anelle Kase, a native of San Francisco felt that it was highly irresponsible to put more pressure on the Haight community which is already overrun by cars and to replace this small area with grass. She felt John Adams lot was not a good alternative to older people because they would have to cross two major intersections to attend church.

Mary Helen Broscoe, representing 30 residents and neighbors of the Panhandle supported the plan because the parks should be for everyone and trying to solve parking problems by using park land is dangerous and destructive. She noted that the the parking lot had somewhat destroyed the quality of the neighborhood because of the debris, congestion and noise.

Blake Dilsworth, expressed that parking was a nightmare and this small lot is used by many groups and people beside the church and the school. She stated that people park in the Panhandle to use Golden Gate Park and felt it should be unchanged.

Sister Bernadette Giles, felt that there was no alternative parking available and that public transportation for the elderly parishioners is not a solution. She stated that St. Agnes Church's parish extends from Broderick Street to Fourth Avenue.

George Mozingo, a resident of the Mission comes to the park and also attends St. Agnes Church. He stated that taking children to the park on bus on the weekend is ludicrous and that, due to the City's revenue shortfall, perhaps this proposal was not practical at this time.

Arthur Howard representing the Golden Gate Park Skate Patrol, supported the proposal to remove the asphalt. He explained that his office is located across from this parking lot and he has witnessed many abuses including parking on the grass, people changing (and leaving) oil from car repairs, etc.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK
PANHANDLE
PAVED AREA NEAR MASONIC AVENUE (Continued)

Debbie Benrubi, who has lived across the street from the Panhandle for 7 years concurred with staff's recommendation. In addition to constituting a violation of City policy the parking lot encourages automobile traffic and congestion. She noted that Oak and Masonic was a very dangerous intersection and felt that the parishioners could use John Adams lot as an alternative. She stated that children use the Panhandle extensively and that the parking lot presents a danger to children.

Jon Doschman, a member of several bicycle organizations, felt that the parking lot was a hazard to bikers since the bike path is adjacent to the lot. He supported the staff recommendation to close the lot to automobiles and to make it a recreational site. He didn't think it was appropriate to have park land turned into a parking lot.

John Glanville, a former president of the Mt. Olympus Neighbors Association, felt that "divisiveness" was present. He stated that the Commission was now in a quandary. He stated that 400 new Korean parishioners use the church and now the Commission was asking them to give up this privilege.

Fr. Larry Finegan, pastor of St. Agnes Church, since March of 1990 concurred with his parishioners, and discussed the posted "flyer" which described St. Agnes Church and the Urban School as special interest forces. He distributed pictures of the parking lot at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon showing a completely filled lot with out of state license plates. He also presented a petition of 333 people opposing the removal of the parking area.

Mark Salkind, Director of Urban School, stated that there were 8-10 parent meetings during the academic year, most of which occurred during weekdays in the evening. The school has used this lot since 1977 each time applying for a permit and providing a security guard. He noted that by removing the lot the Commission would create larger problem for the Haight community. He felt that through the permit process groups can be controlled and that the area could also have a recreational use. Mr. Salkind opposed staff's recommendation.

Ann Guth of the Haight Ashbury Improvement Association, supported the current use of the parking lot since the Haight area does not have a public parking lot like other neighborhoods.

Sheila Kolenc representing San Francisco Beautiful, supported removal of the parking lot. She suggested that carpooling and use of mass transportation could alleviate the parking problem.

Terry Twing a neighborhood resident, opposed tearing up of the parking lot. He stated that contrary to Mr. Arnold's observation, the gate to John Adams lot was closed over the weekends. He suggested that the Commission change its policy for this particular area because of its historical uniqueness and allow parking.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK
PANHANDLE
PAVED AREA NEAR MASONIC AVENUE (Continued)

Jeff Henne of the San Francisco League of Conservation Voters, strongly endorsed staff's proposal. Mr. Henne stated that as a member of the Open Space Committee he found it ironic that the Department spends millions on acquiring new properties for recreational use each year and the Panhandle lot can easily be converted into recreational usage. He noted that nobody would recommend tearing up Huntington Park for residential and/or parishioner parking.

Marian Yu, said she was opposed to parking in the Panhandle. She also wanted to bring up the fact that motorcycles are using park paths illegally which presents another hazard to children and bicyclers.

President O'Connor commented that this matter was very controversial and stated that this issue arose when the Community College District (John Adams School) asked the Commission to allow them to park in the parking lot. The Commission asked staff to review this matter and is present to decide what is best for recreation and park land and open space in the City.

Commissioner Orr stated that even though he felt sympathetic toward the parishioners of St. Agnes Church, he was appointed with an obligation to protect and expand the City's park system and that the Commission was not the Parking Authority. The Commission must determine the best use of the limited park land available and that this was a matter of established Commission policy and a matter of law in the City of San Francisco.

Commissioner Ruiz stated that the he was responsible to the residents of the City to protect recreation and park property and therefore supported the staff's recommendation.

Commissioner Guggenhime referred to a City Attorney Opinion and stated that the Commission may not determine to use public park property for parking lots simply because a parking lot is the most beneficial use of the property either in the terms of furnishing revenue or in terms of convenience ot the community. He felt that it was clear the area should be returned to park use but hoped the Commission would consider a time period before implementation of the proposal to give the church and school sufficient time to find alternative parking sites.

Commissioner Eickman was will to approve the staff recommendation but to not implement the proposal until such time as funds are secured. This would enable the people in the community who do use the lot to find alternative solutions.

Commissioner Loos concurred that it was the Commission's duty to do what is best for the parks and concurred with the staff recommendation. She stated that her particular concern was with the children playing in that area coupled with automobile traffic.

11. GOLDEN GATE PARK
PANHANDLE
PAVED AREA NEAR MASONIC AVENUE (Continued)

President O'Connor also stated that she intended to support the staff proposal, but did not agree with allowing a "grace" period. She also stated her concern that every day people park in Golden Gate Park, particularly those working at University of California Hospital.

Commissioner Orr felt that staff had presented a very responsible proposal and that it should be implemented immediately.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16231

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposal to convert the Panhandle paved area near Masonic Avenue to landscaped area and recreational use, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That the current use of the Panhandle parking lot shall continue until January 1, 1992.

Note for the Record: The Commission voted unanimously to convert the Panhandle paved area to a landscaped area. The Commission voted as follows to allow the current use pattern to continue until January 1, 1992.

APPROVED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:
Ayes: Commissioners Eickman, Guggenhime, Loos, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioners O'Connor, Orr
Absent: Commissioner Chan

12. CANDLESTICK PARK
"YOUNG PROFESSIONALS" PROGRAM FOR TEENS

Approval of "Young Professionals" Program for teens at Candlestick Park.

Lorraine Lampkin, Teen Coordinator for the Department, explained that this program will be conducted by the Teen Program Division in conjunction with local professional sports organizations such as the 49ers and Giants, to expose teens to non-athletic careers in the sports industry. Initially teens will be recruited from current Department records and as the program develops local high schools and other community agencies will help in the recruitment process.

In response to President O'Connor's comment, Ms. Lampkin noted that the program was co-educational and that girls have expressed an interest in basketball so far. She hoped to branch out to the sport of tennis as the program progressed.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program and Mather Committee, and on the motion of Commissioner Loos, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16232

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the "Young Professionals" Program for teens at Candlestick Park.

13. AQUATICS DIVISION
SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
POOL USE AGREEMENT

Approval of the Recreation and Park Department's pool use agreement with the San Francisco Unified School District.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that the school pool use agreement was identical to the one approved last year with the addition of the two clauses which state:

°"In addition, all swim team coaches must have completed the Safety Training for Swim Coaches as a requirement to conduct practices and/or swim meets."
°"Swim team coaches must also complete the Red Cross Safety Training for Swim Coaches courses as a requirement to conduct practices and/or swim meets. Swim Coaches are required to conduct safety training for competitive swimmers on a regular basis."

He recommended approval of the pool use agreement.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16233

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Recreation and Park Department's pool use agreement with the San Francisco Unified School District.

14. CANDLESTICK PARK
PHASE VII RENOVATIONS

Approval of Phase VII of the renovation plan for Candlestick Park.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that the Candlestick Park Phase VII renovations cost $3.8 million. However, there was insufficient funds to cover the entire workscope as outlined in Phase VII which now must be carried over to Phase VIII. The Department has an agreement with the 49ers to reach a seating capacity of 70,000 at Candlestick Park which the fans have been paying an additional $1 per year to achieve this. Mr. Arnold further explained that the Phase VII renovation included waterproofing, painting, electrical improvements, renovations to the luxury suites, additional seating and improvements to the concourse.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime seconded by Commissioner Loos the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16234

RESOLVED, That this Commission approve Phase VII of the renovation plan for Candlestick Park.

15. CANDLESTICK PARK
USAGE AGREEMENT

Approval of a one day event to be held on October 31, 1991, at Candlestick Park by the Jubilee Christian Center.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is a request to approve a one day usage agreement for Candlestick Park. He further requested that, in the future, staff be able to negotiate and approve any one day usage agreements for Candlestick Park provided the "boilerplate" language is not modified .

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that the City Attorney had approved this agreement in form and concurred with staff's request.

In response to Commissioner Loos's question, Mr. Arnold explained that this event is expected to attract between 10,000-15,000, and that traffic and congestion should not be an issue.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16235

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a one day event to be held on October 31, 1991, at Candlestick Park by the Jubilee Christian Center, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Commission authorizes staff to negotiate and approve any future one day usage agreements for Candlestick Park based on the language contained in this agreement.

16. CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES
RUN TO THE FAR SIDE VI
PERMIT FEE

Approval of permit fee in the amount of $2,500 and an in-kind service to the Department in the amount of $2,500 for the California Academy of Sciences Run to the Far Side VI.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that this item is a request to approve an in-kind service for the "Run to the Far Side" permit fee. The Department has negotiated a fee of $2,500 and that the California Academy of Sciences shall provide an in-kind service in the amount of $2,500 in the form of free admission for Department youth and senior programs. He recommended approval.

Commissioner Orr noted that the Parks and Planning Committee recommended approval, but that the 1990 in-kind service of graphic work was still outstanding.

Mr. Robinson noted that the Department never requested use of this service and that Elaine Molinari, Director of Neighborhood Services, is now pursuing this graphic work service.

16. **CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES**
RUN TO THE FAR SIDE VI
PERMIT FEE (Continued)

On recommendation of Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16236

RESOLVED, That this Commission approve the permit fee in the amount of $2,500 and an in-kind service to the Department in the amount of $2,500 for the California Academy of Sciences Run to the Far Side VI.

17. **GOLDEN GATE RAINFOREST ACTION GROUP**
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT
CIVIC CENTER

Approval of request from the Golden Gate Rainforest Action Group, for a multiple day event in Civic Center from Monday, October 21 through Friday, October 25, 1991.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar as the permit request was withdrawn.

18. **KEZAR PARKING LOT**
MONTHLY PARKING

a) Approval to increase monthly parking rate from $55.00 to $65.00, effective November 1, 1991, at the Kezar Parking Lot.

b) Approval of revised notice procedure for Kezar Parking Lot monthly parkers of scheduled special events at Kezar Stadium.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that monthly parkers at Kezar are required to leave during special events and/or pay the special event fee of $3.00. Mr. Arnold recommended changing the notice period for Special Events from 30 days to 10 days.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime seconded by Commissioner Eickman the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16237

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an increase in the monthly parking rate from $55 to $65, effective November 1, 1991, at the Kezar Parking Lot, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a revision to the notice procedure for Kezar Parking Lot whereby monthly parkers will be notified 10 days in advance of scheduled special events at Kezar Stadium.

19. COIT TOWER
RENTAL POLICY

Approval of Coit Tower rental policy.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that staff has developed a rental policy for Coit Tower to be implemented on a trial basis. He recommended approval of the policy.

Commissioner Orr expressed his concern about the murals and asked staff to notify the Commission if any problems arose with this policy so that it could be reviewed, and, if need be, modified.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Loos the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16238

RESOLVED, That this Commission approve the Coit Tower rental policy.

20. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
WATER RECLAMATION PLAN

Presentation by the Department of Public Works, Cleanwater Program on the status of planning for water reclamation and groundwater development.

Note: This item was removed from the Calendar.

21. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Loos, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16239

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $4,835.06, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From Rod McLellan Company, an orchid display case, valued at $2,000.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

b. From Strybing Arboretum Society, miscellaneous gifts, valued at $2,835.06, for use at the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate letters of thanks shall be sent to the donors.

22. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President of the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

John Entwistle, Jr., a representative for the Key Fiber Ralley for Proposition "P" at Mission Dolores Park on November 3, 1991 explained that he requested that the $1 Million insurance requirement be waived for his event.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that a Special Commission Meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, October 23, 1991 to discuss his request.

D. Trevor representing the Golden Gate Swimmers, expressed his concern over the South End Rowing Club's treatment of Diddo Clark and her expulsion from the Club last week without any notice.

John Williams representing the Golden Gate Swimmers, also expressed his concerns for Diddo Clark and referred to the Recreation and Park Department's Property Manager, Robin Burgstahler's correspondence of February, 1990, noting that the level of active opposition to Ms. Clark's swim as excessive. He also requested the Commission to direct the Aquatic Park athletic clubs to stop trying to prohibit the Pt. Bonita Swim.

Diddo Clark, told the Commission that the South End Board of Directors barred her from city property at Aquatic Park. She stated that her expulsion violated the City lease. She asked the Commission to reverse the South Ends Board's expulsion of her and to start implementing the Commission's request of last month for mediation of South Ends sex discrimination case.

Laurie Gordon representing Friends of Treasure Island Museum, informed the Commission of their event "Sunday in the Park to Be" which would be held on Sunday, October 20th. She asked the Commission to waive the fee charges for 100 plants valued at $1,800 (including transporting the plants). Ms. Gordon suggested waiving the charges in exchange for some sort of in-kind service to the Department.

After a lengthy discussion the consensus of the Commission was that this request could not be honored insofar as it would set a precedent and create the opportunity for other worthy groups to make the same request.

Leslie Schemel, Executive Director of Friends of Recreation and Parks, extended on behalf of the "Friends" all good wishes to Barney Barron on his retirement and wished Ron de Leon the best of success in his future role. Finally, Ms. Schemel informed the Commission that the Friends had received a donation of $455,000 from the estate of Dorothy Cherron.

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23. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President O'Connor expressed good wishes to Superintendent of Parks, Barney Barron, on his retirement from the Department. On behalf of the Commission she thanked him for all his years of dedicated service.

Superintendent of Parks, Barney Barron, thanked the Commission for their kind words and assured the Commission that his career had been both unique and rewarding and that he had enjoyed working with them.

24. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of September 4, 1991
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of October 1, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of October 3, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of October 7, 1991

25. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Jim Rogers, former Assistant Superintendent for Golden Gate Park, who passed away on October 11, 1991.

On motion of Commissioner O'Connor, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Ellen Killian, wife of Robert Killian, Golf Director, who passed away recently.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Morris Bernstein, member of the Airports Commission, who passed away recently.

On motion of Commissioner Ruiz, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Susabel Dorsey, former employee of the Recreation Division's Drama and Dance Section, who passed away recently.

On motion of Commissioner Loos, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Arthur Gay, father of Mike Gay, Chief Engineer, Candlestick Park, who passed away recently.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Clyde Boutilier, father of Sybil Boutilier, Public Information Officer, who passed away recently.

The 663rd Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanne Morrison
Acting Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

San Francisco, California
October 23, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1991 - 4:30 P.M.

The Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Wednesday, October 23, 1991, at 4:30 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. **ROLL CALL**

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Sue Sommer Loos
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz
Absent:
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Trent Orr

2. **GOLDEN GATE PARK**
STOW LAKE
LEASE AMENDMENT

Approval of amendment to Stow Lake lease.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is an amendment to the previously approved Stow Lake lease. The original lease, approved by the Commission on August 15, 1991, was for twenty years. When the Board of Supervisors considered the lease it expressed concern about the term of the lease. Therefore, Mr. Arnold requested the Commission to approve a 15 year lease with the same terms and conditions as previously outlined in the Recreation and Park Commission meeting of August 15, 1991 (by Resolution No. 16192).

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16240

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a modification to the Stow Lake Lease from a twenty (20) year term to a fifteen (15) year term.

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3. MISSION DOLORES PARK
ONE DAY EVENT
APPEAL OF DENIAL OF PERMIT

Appeal of staff denial of permit (insurance waiver) for one-day event at Mission Dolores Park (Hemp Initiative in support of Proposition P) on Sunday, November 3, 1991.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that Key Fiber Coalition has requested a waiver of the insurance requirement in conjunction with a permit for use of Dolores Park. Mr. Entwistle expects 400-500 people to attend this event and has provided staff with documentation that he is unable to obtain insurance. Therefore, staff recommended that the insurance requirement be waived.

In response to Commissioner Eickman's question, Mr. Robinson explained that the permittee has paid $110 in permit fees, and will give staff a performance bond. Mr. Robinson further explained that this event is a protected First Amendment activity.

John Entwistle, representing the Key Fiber Coalition, explained that his organization has a good track record and has never had problems or complaints.

In response to Commissioner Loos' question, Mr. Entwistle explained that between 500 and 2000 attended his last event.

Mr. Robinson explained that staff must require insurance when food is sold and distributed but cannot require insurance for a First Amendment activity.

On motion of Commissioner Loos, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16241

RESOLVED, That this Commission waives the insurance requirement in conjunction with the Hemp Initiative in support of Proposition P to be held on Sunday, November 3, 1991, at Mission Dolores Park.

3. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Scannell
Acting Commission Secretary

San Francisco, California
November 21, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

664TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Sixty-Fourth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, November 21, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime
Commissioner Trent Orr
Absent:
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Sue Sommer Loos
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the minutes of the Special Meeting of October 7, 1991, were approved as presented.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 17, 1991, were approved with technical modifications.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the minutes of the Special Meeting of October 23, 1991, were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns submitted the following report:

"BILL GRAHAM CONCERT IMPACT

The Park Division has submitted a damage assessment report as a result of the Bill Graham Concert on November 3, 1991, at the Polo Field. The report shows that the most notable damage was to the field itself due to heavy foot traffic and vehicles which undermined the gopher runs leaving the fields in a dangerous unlevel condition. Staff now reports that eighty yards of top soil and 300 lbs. of rye seed have been purchased to repair the field. Two soccer pitches have been repaired and it is anticipated that the remainder of the field will be renovated by December 2, weather permitting. Other damage to the area included broken sprinkler heads, plant damage, lawn damage, an extensive amount of debris, and broken glass, bottle caps, etc. embedded in the field. The Department is now putting a dollar amount on the damage that was incurred in the Park which will be paid for by Bill Graham Presents. However, staff agrees that future events of this magnitude should be reviewed very closely with respect to the potential for damage and destruction to the Park environs.

MAYOR'S MANAGERIAL EXCELLENCE AWARDS LUNCHEON

On Wednesday, November 13, 1991, the 11th Managerial Excellence Awards Luncheon was held at the St. Francis Hotel to honor and recognize managers below the level of department head or chief administrator. This event was sponsored by the Mayor's Fiscal Advisory Committee, the San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR) and the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. This year's keynote address was given by Richard M. Rosenberg, Chairman, President and CEO, BankAmerica Corporation. The three outstanding nominees honored at the lunch from the Recreation and Park Department were Nan Neal, Assistant Superintendent of Recreation, the "team" of Dwain Swain, and Dermot Casey, Heavy Equipment Operations Supervisor and Assistant Operations Supervisor, respectfully, Structural Maintenance Division. Although our nominees did not receive an award, I know you join me in congratulating them on their nomination, and thank them for their outstanding contributions to the Department.

FOOD NOT BOMBS LAWSUIT

Keith McHenry, of Food Not Bombs has three outstanding suits against the City -- one in the Federal Court and two in the State Court. In all three cases, the City Attorney's Office filed a motion for summary judgment (a method of having the Court decide the legal issues or merits of the case before going to trial). In the Federal suit, the Court concluded that the serving of food is not protected by the First Amendment, and further that even if food distribution was entitled to some First Amendment protection, that the health and park regulations were neutral and valid and their application to Food Not Bombs did not

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

FOOD NOT BOMBS LAWSUIT (Continued)

violate Mr. McHenry's First Amendment rights. The Court also determined that Mr. McHenry had failed to demonstrate that these regulations were applied selectively to Food Not Bombs in order to suppress Food Not Bombs speech. The Judge thus determined that plaintiff failed to establish violation either of his First Amendment or Equal Protection Rights. Motions for summary judgment of the two State Court cases are pending before the State Superior Court.

EMPLOYEE VOLUNTARY EARLY RETIREMENT

On November 5, 1991, voters approved Proposition A, which will allow the City and County of San Francisco to offer a volunteer Early Retirement Program to eligible members of the San Francisco Retirement System. Over 400 Recreation and Park Department employees are potentially eligible, although it is likely that many will decide to stay. There is a two-month window when those wishing to must take advantage of this offer -- February and March, 1992. If many of our staff do take advantage of this, it could have very serious impacts, both short and long-term on the Department. I will keep you informed as we gather more information.

Because of budget uncertainties and early retirement, the Mayor has again instituted a hiring freeze of all non-critical city employees. This means that no requisition to fill a vacant position will be approved unless the position meets certain criteria. This includes positions that will generate revenues or savings to the City equal or greater than the costs of filling the position; positions critical to the function of the Department or services critical to the health or safety of the public; and hiring required by court order, consent decree, memorandum of understanding, state or federal law, or other legal requirements.

MAYOR'S MISSION TASK FORCE

On Wednesday, the Mayor's Mission Task Force met in the Mayor's Office with representatives of the Recreation and Park Department, Department of Public Works, Police, Health, City Attorney and Planning Departments. The purpose was to up-date the Mayor on the progress being made by various City agencies on the issues raised by the Task Force this summer. This department was singled out for praise regarding our response on a variety of problems. While everything has not been resolved (problems still arise with scheduling at Rolph and Mission Recreation Centers and the neighbors are still concerned about insufficient bi-lingual staff), I was pleased to hear from the Task Force members that substantial progress is being made. I would particularly like to thank the many staff members who put a lot of time and effort into this response. I would also like to thank the Police Department and particularly the officers under Captain Newlin's command for their assistance in addressing police-related matters.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

WORLD CUP SOCCER

Over the past two weeks, Jim Cooney, Mike Gay, Tim Lillyquist, Phil Arnold and I have been working with the World Cup Soccer organization for a bid to bring a number of games to San Francisco in 1994. Two weeks ago the international site selection team toured Candlestick and seemed pleased with the stadium. We have since been informed that Candlestick has the least number of improvements necessary to meet their requirements. We have also been involved in a marathon negotiating session with the help of Ken Taymor from the City Attorney's Office to draw up a permit for the event. Since World Cup requires that a signed agreement must be in place by the end of this year, it is likely that you will need to meet before the next regular Commission Meeting to send the legislation to the Board of Supervisors for their consideration and adoption before January 1, 1992.

FIRE HAZARD ABATEMENT

On November 6, 1991, Ron de Leon held a meeting with staff in response to the Oakland Hills firestorm to determine the potential for a similar problem on our property. At this time a committee was formed to determine and evaluate park land, assess and prioritize fire potential and develop a management plan. A draft outline prepared by Guido Ciardi, the Department's Urban Forester, was presented in which supervisors were asked to identify where park land interfaces with private property. Another meeting is scheduled in the near future at which time the topic will focus on a long range plan.

STATUS OF REVENUE FROM DEPARTMENT

First quarter revenue statistics are lower than projected. Total annual revenue from all sources for the Department was projected at $16.6 million for the current fiscal year. However, based on the first quarter, revenues are now projected at approximately $16 million. In general, attendance is down at the Tea Garden, the Zoo and the parking garages. Departmental revenues are used to fund all non-salary items in the Recreation and Park Department budget. Many of these items are costs over which the Department has little control such as workers' compensation, utilities and services to other departments such as the City Attorney and the Purchaser. In past years, revenue surpluses have been used to offset general fund reductions for this department. The current revenue projections indicate that such offsets will not be available for the 1992-93 fiscal year.

WATER CONSERVATION UPDATE

The Recreation and Park Department has done a magnificent job in its efforts to conserve water. In the most recent Water Department printout it is clear, that overall, a substantial amount of water has been saved -- to be exact, 22,529,250 gallons during the month of September. Those accounts that have exceeded their allotments are being monitored to see if there is an inefficient use of water occurring or if the allotment is too low for the area.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

RESTORATION OF EMBARCADERO PLAZA AREAS

On October 16, 1991 State Department of Transportation staff met with Jon Huttinger, Recreation and Park Department Area Supervisor, to discuss restoration work of park areas affected by the Embarcadero Freeway restoration. The following was agreed on at this meeting:

°Repair all lawn areas, including soil amendments and re-seeding in conformance with City standards;

° Seed and extend the irrigation system to cover the regraded abutment and embankment areas at the Clay and Washington ramps.

I think Jon should be congratulated for negotiating such a beneficial agreement for the Department as it was originally thought that the City would have to pay for these costs. These improvements are approximately $175,000 in value.

COMPLETED CAPITAL PROJECTS

The rehabilitation of the children's play area at Laurel Hill Playground was completed this month. Included in this project was new play apparatus, lighting and parking signage. The project was funded through the Open Space Program in the amount of $150,000.

RECREATION DIVISION HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

The Recreation Division will again provide Holiday activities at many of our playgrounds and recreation facilities. A complete list of those activities will be given to you by the first of December.

ZOO NEWS

The San Francisco Zoo lost a legend on November 7, 1991, when "Stonewall," one of the oldest living black rhinoceros in captivity died quietly at 4:00 p.m. at the age of 37. "Stonewall" was a record-breaking sire with 10 offspring and a grandfather many times over. He will be missed by one and all.

RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT

The following are claims under $5,000 settled by the City Attorney's Office for the month of October, 1991:

Claimant	Amount	Claimant	Amount
Carthen	$ 821.00	James	$345.70
Wong	2,181.86	Mohun	890.38
Muschell	345.03	Kenyon	160.00

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday, November 28, 1991	Thanksgiving Holiday
Friday, November 29, 1991	Day-After-Thanksgiving Holiday
Monday, December 2, 1991	Golden Gate Park Committee 3:00 p.m. (tour), 4:00 p.m. (meeting)
Tuesday, December 3, 1991	Parks and Planning Committee 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, December 4, 1991	Joint Zoo Committee, 4:30 p.m. (tour), 5:00 p.m. (meeting), S.F. Zoo
Thursday, December 5, 1991	Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, December 11, 1991	Strybing Arboretum Society Holiday Luncheon, 12 noon, Strybing Arboretum, 9th & Lincoln Way
Thursday, December 12, 1991	Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony, 5:30 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Friday, December 13, 1991	Department Holiday Party, Asian Art Museum, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m."

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, ratification of the following resolutions, which were processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. PERSONNEL MATTERS — RES. NO. 16242

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period October 3, 1991 through November 5, 1991.

b. COW HOLLOW PLAYGROUND AWARD OF CONTRACT — RES. NO. 16243

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of contract to Golden Bay Construction, Inc. in the amount of $175,270.00 for Cow Hollow Playground renovation.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

c. MARINA YACHT HARBOR — RES. NO. 16244
AWARD OF CONTRACT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the award of the contract to Ford Construction Company in the amount of $65,560 for repair of marina pilings and docks.

d. CONSERVATORY OF FLOWERS — RES. NO. 16245
CONSERVATORY AUXILIARY BUDGET

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves inclusion of an additional $6,000 to the Conservatory Auxiliary's Approved Budget for 1991 to provide for the purchase of a Dahlgren Label Maker.

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained the animal transactions: the Zoo sold one of the newborn mountain goats as it was surplus to the Zoo's needs; the Zoo purchased a male otter to give a companion to the Zoo's otter. The Zoo purchased a female African Wild Dog and has received, on loan, a male African Wild Dog, which is a species that is increasingly endangered. The Species Survival Commission has recommended that this animal be acquired because in many parts of Africa agricultural use is taking over the land and these animals are being killed. The Zoo is trying to breed more of these species in captivity and to begin work on re-introducing this animal back into Africa.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16246

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

SOLD TO: Ross Park Zoo
185 Park AVenue
Binghamton, New York 13903
USDA #21-EA

One (1) female Mountain Goat valued at $2,500.00
Payment to be made to the Animal Purchase Account

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS (Continued)

RES. NO. 16246
(Continued)

PURCHASED FROM: San Antonio Zoo
3903 North St. Mary's Street
San Antonio, Texas 78212
USDA #74-C-080

One (1) female African Wild Dog valued at $500.00
Payment to be made from the Animal Purchase Account

PURCHASED FROM: St. Louis Zoo
Forest Park
St. Louis, Missouri 63110
USDA #43-61-L

One (1) Male North American River Otter valued at $1,200.00
Payment to be made from the Animal Purchase Account

5a. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT
ZOO VETERINARIAN POSITION

Consideration to urge the Board of Supervisors to submit a Charter amendment to the electorate making the 2290 Zoo Veterinarian position exempt from the provisions of the Civil Service Commission.

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained that the Zoo Advisory Committee recommended that the Zoo Veterinarian position should be exempt from the provisions of Civil Service. Mr. Anderson felt that this recommendation was a sound idea and because it enables the Zoo to locate and hire the best candidate. The Zoological Society also supports this proposal and Supervisor Hallinan has agreed to introduce this legislation before the Board of Supervisors.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16247

RESOLVED, That this Commission urges the Board of Supervisors to submit a Charter amendment to the electorate making the 2290 Zoo Veterinarian position exempt from the provisions of Civil Service.

6. NOE COURTS
PARK CLOSURE

Approval of closure of Noe Courts to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. at the request of neighbors.

Director of Neighborhood Services, Elaine Molinari, explained that several community meetings have been held with the Noe Courts neighbors who are very concerned about crime, drug use and drinking at this park. The community has submitted a petition asking that the park be closed at night and posted with appropriate signage to enable the Police Department to cite and clear the park at night.

6. NOE COURTS
PARK CLOSURE (Continued)

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16248

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the closure of Noe Courts to the public from 10:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. at the request of neighbors.

7. PORTSMOUTH SQUARE
SCHEMATIC PLAN, PHASE II

Approval of schematic plan, Phase II, for Portsmouth Square.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that the Master Plan for Portsmouth Square was approved by the Commission some time ago and the Department is now in the process of developing the schematic plan for the second phase of the program. Numerous community meetings were held to discuss the proposed plans and she hoped that construction could begin in late February 1992.

Ms. Learner outlined the scope of the work for the schematic design for Phase II (the upper portion of the plaza):

- Raised planting areas with benches will be included around the perimeter of the upper plaza to maximize seating.
- As many existing trees as possible will be retained in the new design. Some of the poplar trees with exposed roots will be removed but the total planting plan of 64 new trees will include magnolia, ginko and other evergreen varieties that are in keeping with the theme of the plaza.
- Automatic irrigation system and security lighting will be installed.
- A paving pattern of light gray granite will be installed.
- Pigeon proofing will be placed as required to control the presence of pigeons.
- The school house monument, Stevenson monument and other monuments in the plaza will be restored.
- Goddess of Democracy statue will be placed in the plaza.
- The play area, which will primarily be for children from 2-10 years of age, will be made handicap accessible.
- Electrical outlets will be included in the low walls to accommodate events with amplified sound.
- Benches will be designed with interim arms to discourage people from lying down or sleeping on the benches,

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16249

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the schematic plan, Phase II, for Portsmouth Square.

8. COFFMAN SWIMMING POOL
ENTRYWAY ENCLOSURE

Approval of design for an entryway enclosure at Coffman Swimming Pool for additional security.

Assistant to General Manager, Timothy Lillyquist, explained that there have been ongoing problems trying to control access at the entrance to some of the Department's pools. He proposed that an entryway be built around the front door at Coffman Pool. The design will provide additional security for the cashier and will allow him or her to control access to the dressing rooms with an electrical switch. A drinking fountain and/or telephone booth may be placed in the entryway. This $100,000 project will be funded through the Open Space Program.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16250

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the design for an entryway enclosure at Coffman Swimming Pool for additional security.

9. MISSION SWIMMING POOL
REDESIGN OF BUILDING

Approval of design for a wheel chair accessible unisex toilet, shower and changing room at the north east corner of the Mission Swimming Pool building.

Assistant to General Manager, Timothy Lillyquist, explained that the City's Accessibility Coordinator has granted approval to construct a unisex handicap accessible changing room at Mission Pool. This $50,000 project will be funded through the Open Space Program and he recommended approval.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16251

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the design for a wheel chair accessible unisex toilet, shower and changing room at the north east corner of the Mission Swimming Pool building.

10. UNION SQUARE
MULTIPLE DAY EVENT
PERMIT FEE

Approval of permit fee from Macy's California, Inc. for a multiple day event in Union Square from Wednesday, November 20, 1991 through Tuesday, December 31, 1991 at specified times for a "White Christmas" on Union Square.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that this item is a request to approve the permit fee for the Macy's Union Square Christmas event. The daily charges imposed are the highest allowed under the current fee structure. Therefore, he suggested that the fee structure be reviewed by the Commission early next year to establish a comprehensive fee package for these types of uses. He explained that this event is actually a one day event although Macy's needs a number of days to set up the event.

Commissioner Orr was concerned about the permit fee given that the event will cost Macy's over $450,000 and urged staff to develop a substantially higher fee structure for commercial use of Union Square and other park properties.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16252

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the permit fee in the amount of $3,000, from Macy's California, Inc. for a multiple day event in Union Square from Wednesday, November 20, 1991 through Tuesday, December 31, 1991 at specified times for a "White Christmas" on Union Square.

11. LAKE MERCED
SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR SITE CHARACTERIZATION STUDY

Approval of supplemental request in an amount not to exceed $138,905 to undertake a Site Characterization Study of Lake Merced in the vicinity of the trap and skeet range in response to Regional Water Quality Control Board request for additional information relative to deposition of lead in Lake Merced.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that the Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) has asked the City to prepare and carry out a work plan that will determine the extent and effect of lead contamination at Lake Merced where there are some deposits along the shoreline and water area around trap and skeet area. The City has hired Ecology and Environment to prepare the work plan at a cost of $15,000 and has submitted the work plan to RWQCB for their review. The estimated cost of the study is $138,905. As advised by the City Attorney, the Recreation and Park Department should take steps immediately to secure funding for the study. A delay in implementing the work plan once RWQCB approves it could subject the City to fines of up to $5,000 per day. Ms. Learner further explained that staff is very concerned about this matter and has made every effort to comply with the RWQCB's request.

11. LAKE MERCED
SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR SITE CHARACTERIZATION STUDY (Continued)

Michael Proctor, representing the Pacific Rod and Gun Club, explained that the Club was willing to try to help raise most if not all of the funding required to conduct this study because they are anxious to know if there is a problem and what the extent of it might be. He asked if the Club could obtain a lease arrangement during the time period of the study.

Cliff Gronseth, explained that in the past month the lake level has dropped and that there is a veneer of algae covering the surface of the lake that may kill the wildlife underneath the surface of the lake.

President O'Connor explained that there was a lengthy discussion at the Committee level and concern was expressed about how much money could be furnished by the Rod and Gun Club to conduct this study. She further stated that the Club pays minimal rent to the Department.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the Department would be willing to have the Club perform the study if the firm was qualified to do the work program, and could do it for a lesser amount or pro bono, and as long as the individual or firm could meet the terms of the work program.

Commissioner Guggenhime explained that the City is in a terrible budgetary state and urged the Club to raise funds to conduct the study.

Commissioner Orr explained that if the $5,000 fine was imposed in 27 days the fine in and of itself would pay for the cost of the study.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16253

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a supplemental request in an amount not to exceed $138,905 to undertake a Site Characterization Study of Lake Merced in the vicinity of the trap and skeet range in response to a Regional Water Quality Control Board request for additional information relative to deposition of lead in Lake Merced.

12. GOLDEN GATE PARK
GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND

Consideration of a proposed General Obligation Bond to rehabilitate the infrastructure of Golden Gate Park.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that the proposed General Obligation bond is one of the biggest the the Commission has reviewed in many years. Ms. Burns stated that San Francisco is perilously close to losing Golden Gate Park because of the level of support to maintain it is inadequate coupled with the fact that the park's infrastructure is antiquated and also inadequate. For the past 2-3 years the Department has been working with the City's Capital Improvements Advisory Committee (CIAC), the Committee that reviews long term capital expenditures for the City. Even though the proposed bond was to be targeted for the November 1992 ballot, a few months ago the Department was informed that it should aim for the June 1992 ballot.

12. GOLDEN GATE PARK
GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND (Continued)

This proposal for a general obligation bond in the amount of $78 million will only address the infrastructure problems in the park and does not even address the renovation of other park elements or structures. This bond is the hearts, lungs and veins for the park and is void of any enhancements. This bond is considered to be the bare minimum to keep Golden Gate Park alive and to survive into the future. She further stated that the bond requires a two-thirds vote of the electorate. She was optimistic that the citizens would pass it although she was worried that this bond would be put before the voters at a time of the recession, high taxes, etc. She hoped that everybody who uses and loves Golden Gate Park will pass the bond issue.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that the matter before the Commission was to approve the bond so that it can be submitted to the Board of Supervisors. Ms. Learner outlined the elements of the bond:

Water Supply and Distribution This is the area that is underground and vital in order to be able to maintain a totally landscaped, cultivated park. The plan will be to:

- install a new water main loop which would be capable of carrying reclaimed water;
- install automatic irrigation systems in large turf areas;
- repair a number of water mains;
- install automatic systems along the lawn borders so that gardeners do not have to bring hoses to these areas;
- Upgrade and install wells, pumps and reservoirs to be able to provide its own watering system because there are some areas in the park which are still on City water.

Lakes and Water Courses The lakes and water courses are closely tied to the improvements for the water supply and distribution system. The lakes not only serve as visual amenities but are an important wildlife habitat. The proposed plan will clean and re-seal the lakes and improve the shorelines of a number of lakes and ponds.

Utilities Existing street lighting in the park is done by the direct burial of cables which are not encased in conduit. New wiring will be placed in conduits. Currently, the lighting levels at many areas and intersections are inadequate and the plan would install new lighting. There are areas in the park which require replacement of existing sewers and there is a need to place pumping stations in a few locations. There is a great need to correct drainage problems at Park Presidio bypass, Big Rec, and a other areas in the park.

Repair and Rehabilitation of Park Features The ongoing and phased replacement of the park's forest is a fundamental element of the park's landscape and character. The park is an even aged forest and the Department is in the process of replacing old trees with new trees. This process must be carefully managed to produce a healthy mixed age forest for future years. The proposed program will include a forestry and arborist staff to implement the proper replacement schedule.

12. GOLDEN GATE PARK
GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND (Continued)

Disabled Access/Entrances to the Park The Americans for Disabilities Act mandates that the City provide access to all Recreation an Park facilities. The bond will enable the Department to implement restroom and pathway renovations and repairs. The plan will also improve landscapes and entrances to the park.

In response to Commissioner Orr's question, Ms. Learner explained that there is currently no mechanism to remove the water that drains into deLaveaga Dell. A new pumping station will rectify this situation.

Robert Nastor, felt it was very important that the bond issue be passed. Mr. Nastor is part of the Reforestation Program and the staff has been reduced in recent years. He felt additional staff will enable them to implement the reforestation plan.

Joan Chase Vellutini, a gardener in the Chain of Lakes area of Golden Gate Park, explained that there is a significant wildlife habitat in this area but that the lake levels are low. She hoped that the bond issue would make the park lakes handicap accessible and urged that a nature trail be developed for the handicapped and other members of the public.

Leon Smith, stated that he operates the mechanical equipment in the park and that the lakes are slowly turning into swamps. The pumps date back to 1940, the irrigation system has been increased and it is difficult, at times, to deliver water supply. He urged the Commission pass the bond issue.

Commissioner Orr explained that Barney Barron conducted a tour highlighting the need to address the failing infrastructure of Golden Gate Park. He urged that the matter be approved.

Commissioner Eickman stressed the importance of organizing support groups to endorse this bond issue. He further stated that it may be difficult to fund the nature trail through this bond issue.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16254

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed General Obligation Bond to rehabilitate the infrastructure of Golden Gate Park.

13. GOLDEN GATE PARK
HAIGHT ASHBURY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL RECYCLING CENTER
CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING PROGRAM

Approval of the request from the Solid Waste Management Program to recycle Christmas trees from January 5, 1992 through January 12, 1992 at the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council Recycling Center.

13. GOLDEN GATE PARK
HAIGHT ASHBURY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL RECYCLING CENTER
CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING PROGRAM (Continued)

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is a request to recycle Christmas trees at the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council Recycling Center. Trees will be received at the center but will be hauled away and chipped at another site. He asked the Commission to allow staff to handle this matter administratively in the future because it has been done for a number of years without incident and is a routine matter.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16255

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the Solid Waste Management Program to recycle Christmas trees from January 5, 1992 through January 12, 1992 at the Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council Recycling Center, and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, That this matter shall be handled administratively in the future.

Note for the Record: Items 14 and 15 were presented at the same time.

14. CAMP MATHER
STRAWBERRY MUSIC, INC.
LEASE AMENDMENT

Approval of Strawberry Music, Inc. Lease Amendment.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained these items are requests to allow the Strawberry Music, Inc., to hold their Labor Day Festival in 1992 at Camp Mather. One item amends the the lease to allow them to hold the 1992 Labor Day Festival and the other request grants them a permit to hold their 1992 Labor and Memorial Day Festival weekend. If the lease amendment is approved by the Board of Supervisors there will not be a need for the permit. Strawberry Music, Inc., would like to advertise both the Memorial and Labor Day festivals in one brochure.

In response to President O'Connor's question, Mr. Arnold explained that the Department lost $22,000-25,000 by not having a 1991 Labor Day festival at Camp Mather.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16256

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Strawberry Music, Inc. Lease Amendment.

15. CAMP MATHER
STRAWBERRY MUSIC, INC. PERMIT FOR 1992 LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Approval of Strawberry Music, Inc., permit for 1992 Labor Day weekend at Camp Mather.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16257

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Strawberry Music, Inc., permit for 1992 Labor Day weekend at Camp Mather.

16. GOLDEN GATE PARK GOLF COURSE
CONCESSION BID

Approval of award of Golden Gate Park Golf Course concession bid.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained two bids were received for the operation of the Golden Gate Park Golf Course. The City Attorney advised that one of the bids did not fulfill the requirements of the bid proposal and should not be considered. Therefore, he requested that the Commission authorize staff to negotiate a five year lease with James Thigpen with better terms and conditions than those originally submitted. He further explained that the Commission had the option of rejecting all bids and to have the lease re-bid.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16258

RESOLVED, That this Commission authorizes staff to negotiate an operating agreement with James Thigpen for operation of the Golden Gate Park Golf Course.

17. JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
CONCESSION BID

Approval of award of Japanese Tea Garden bid concession.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that five bids were received for the Japanese Tea Garden concession bid. Eleven prospective bidders attended the pre-bid conference where staff outlined the nature of the Garden and discussed the history of the garden. Staff encouraged the prospective bidders to explore opportunities for increasing revenues.

17. JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
CONCESSION BID (Continued)

Mr. Arnold explained that there is no effort to turn the Garden into a fast food shop or expand the confines of the tea house or gift shop. The bid package emphasized the need for cleanliness and serenity to preserve the current ambience that exists in the tea garden. There is a proposal for additional food and beverage service at in the teahouse which has generated a goodly amount of discussion. The Finance Committee requested that sandwiches not be included in the menu. The alternative menu provides only Japanese food items. The current revenue to this Department from this concession is approximately $185,000; the proposed bidder guarantees a minimum of $328,000.

Commissioner Orr noted that there is tremendous difference in the bid from the highest bidder and second bidder. He asked what amount of revenue would the concessionaire have to generate to produce the minimum rent and what impact would it have on the Garden.

Mr. Arnold explained that the concessionaire would need approximately $1 Million of gross revenue to make the minimum rent which translates to a 40% increase in revenue. He stated that they plan to do this through additional food and beverage items and the sale of upscale items in the gift shop.

Marshall S. Sanders, opposed the bid because he did not want food service expanded. He stated that Japanese originally operated the garden and felt that someone of Japanese descent should continue to operate it.

Philip Allison, explained that he is a guide in the City and offers tourists 25 minutes at the tea garden which would not give them sufficient time to eat and view items in the gift shop. He felt the garden was a historic shrine and that additional food and beverage items were wrong. Although he was aware of the difficult budget situation facing the Department he felt alternative methods should be explored to increase revenues.

Joan Leaf, concurred with the comments of the previous speakers and opposed the proposed concession bid.

Ruth Asawa, a long admirer of the Japanese Tea Garden spoke of the unique beauty of the garden. She reminded the Commission that the Hagiwara Family donated their time and money, at no cost to the City, to design the garden and that they devoted themselves to the garden until they were uprooted and interned during World War II. She stated that over the years the garden has been generated additional revenue for the park and for other park projects and that this is unfair. She stated that the proposed concession will ultimately affect the beauty of the garden. She stated that the change from tea and cookies to serving food is a departure she adamantly opposes. She then showed the original tea sets the Hagiwara displayed in the store at the garden.

17. JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
CONCESSION BID (Continued)

Douglas Dawkins, Jr., representing the Hagiwara Family, read a statement from his family for the record:

"The history of the Hagiwara Family is deeply intertwined with that of the Japanese Tea Garden. Four generations of Hagiwara have lived in and nurtured the Garden and today, the Family's feelings of love and caring for this very special place are undiminished.

We would like to convey to you our concern that the uniqueness of the Tea Garden has been jeopardized by the way in which the concession award process has been carried out.

The process has, from the start, focused on revenue enhancement and relegated cultural and historical imperatives to a minor status. By allotting overriding importance to the monetary component of each prospective concessionaire's bid, the process has sent a clear message that the Recreation and Park Commission regards the Tea Garden as merely a business in pursuit of profits and not as the cultural treasure it is.

If the Commission is to preserve the uniqueness of the Japanese Tea Garden for our City and for our World, profit must come second to tradition and culture.

We both understand and sympathize with the difficulties of preserving tradition in a modern world but we feel that, in the very special case of the Japanese Tea Garden, the difficult path is the only one that can preserve the subtleties and nuances which make the Garden unique.

We hope the Commission will choose not to accept concession proposals which modify the basic purpose of the Tea Garden solely to increase profit. We further hope that the Commission will implement new selection criteria which will ensure historical and cultural emphasis in future bid processes.

The Hagiwara Family has always regarded the Tea Garden as a living entity to be treated with respect and with care. We hope the Commissioners will see the wisdom in this view."

Greg Marutani, representing the San Francisco Japanese American Citizens League, explained that the issue is changing the garden from a tea house to a restaurant. He asked the Commission to reconsider an alternative means to raise revenues. He felt that there are areas for food concessions in the park other than in the tea garden.

Gordon Lau, representing Frederick Lo and Peter Fong, distributed newsclippings from the Chronicle written by Herb Caen and from the Hokubei written by Patty Wada. He discussed the negative tone of the newspaper which referenced the issue ethnicity. He stated that 4 bids submitted all listed menus and all listed food. He further stated that at the pre bid conference staff informed the prospective bidders that sushi could be served. He stated that Mr. Caen's comments were irritating because of the ethnic inuendo contained in his statement.

17. JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
CONCESSION BID (Continued)

Peter Fong, explained that he hoped to have food service which offered a bowl of noodles and added that some of the people who visit the garden do not drink tea so he would offer other beverages such as espresso or coffee.

Sally Osaki, explained that she works for the City and understood the need to generate revenue but she hoped that there would be another way to do this. She recounted that, at one time, Mr. Hagiwara gave a tour of the garden and that it was a wonderful experience because he explained why the tea garden was built and what it meant to him.

Sandy Mori, stated that she was a concerned person from the Japanese American community. She stated that this is not a divisive issue of Chinese versus Japanese. Because this particular tea garden is one of its kind in the United States and because it happens to be in San Francisco the issue becomes whether or not the City will preserve this garden and maintain its authenticity. She stated that the Commission must decide if the tea garden will maintain its authenticity, serenity and atmosphere.

Commissioner Orr stated that he was very troubled by the bid. He explained that City cannot legally specify the bid to be open for Japanese only, nor was such action appropriate or morally proper. He felt that expanded food service would change the character of the garden and preferred only tea, cookies and juice.

Commissioner Guggenhime stated that this Commission approved the original bid package and must take responsibility for the issue it now faces. He hoped that this was not an issue of who should operate the concession but, after hearing testimony, he was concerned about the expanded food service.

A discussion ensued as to whether the bids could be adjusted and/or amended, or if the menu could be modified. There was further discussion as to whether it was legal to negotiate with the highest bidder if the bid package is materially changed.

Mr. Arnold explained that the City Attorney's Office has advised staff that if the Commission wanted to change the basis on which the bid was submitted that the matter should be re-bid because it is a substantial change.

A discussion ensued regarding the components of the food service for the new bid package.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16259

RESOLVED, That this Commission rejects all bids for the concession of the Japanese Tea Garden and directs staff to rebid the concession with the sale of only tea, cookies, juice and soft drinks.

18. JAPANESE TEA GARDEN & CONSERVATORY
FREE DAY ELIMINATION

Approval of elimination of seven free days, effective January 1, 1992, at the Japanese Tea Garden and Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that this item goes back many years when the City gave a discount to residents of the City and free days at many of its facilities. This item will bring into line the same number of free admission days that are offered at Coit Tower, Zoo and other park facilities.

Greg Marutani, representing the San Francisco Japanese American Citizens League, stated that this policy may affect and impact the anticipated revenue for the concessionaire.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16260

RESOLVED, That this Commission hereby eliminates seven free days, effective January 1, 1992, at the Japanese Tea Garden and Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

19. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
WATER RECLAMATION PLAN

Presentation by the Department of Public Works, Cleanwater Program on the status of planning for water reclamation and groundwater development.

General Manager, Mary E. Burns, explained that a major issue of water conservation has been brought to the City's attention due to the 5 year drought. The Board of Supervisors has asked that a policy be developed for the use of reclaimed water. Since the Recreation and Park Department is one of the major beneficiaries of a reclaimed water program she felt it would be helpful for the Commission to be briefed at this early stage. Staff has questions on the impact of the use of reclaimed water particularly for the animal collection at the Zoo, and some horticultural experts have discussed the impact of reclaimed water long-term on valuable plant collections such as those housed in the Arboretum and Conservatory. Also of concern is the possible impact of water being stored in the lakes or water system. There could be substantial nutrient build-up that would entail annual draining, affect maintenance costs and the wildlife population of the park. There is also the issue of where to locate the plant to provide the reclaimed water. One of the areas being proposed is Golden Gate Park and staff is very concerned about this proposal. Ms. Burns stated that she understood the environmental necessity of working toward a reclaimed water system but had strong reservations about some of the elements of the proposal.

19. RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT
WATER RECLAMATION PLAN (Continued)

Don Munakata, representing the Clean Water Program, explained that the Water Department and Department of Public Works have been told to develop a Master Plan for the use of reclaimed water. Reclaimed water is sewage water which is treated to a greater degree for a direct benefit or use. The Master Plan has been developed over the last 1-1/2 years. The environmental consultant has identified a basic plan and the cost estimate is now being developed. The Water Department has been looking at ground water for potable and non-potable purposes. In order to get a plan that will be in accord with the best interest of the City, a Steering Committee comprised of representatives from the Fire Department, Health Department, Recreation and Park Department, Water Department and Department of Public Works has been instituted. A peer review group, comprised of people with expertise in sanitary engineering, public health, and medical areas will also help to organize the plan. An environmental review process will begin shortly. He explained that the agencies developing the plan want to receive as much input as possible to make this a rational plan.

Cheryl Davis, representing the Water Department, explained that, based on the study, Golden Gate Park uses 600,000 gallons per day of well water and 200,000 gallons per day of water from San Francisco Water Department. This figure does not include the water used at the Zoo. Historically, ground water has been used for irrigation virtually with no treatment. They are now analyzing the possibility of using some of the ground water for a potable water system. She noted that they are studying the ground water and at the same time studying the use of reclaimed water.

Commissioner Eickman noted that the water from Hetch Hetchy is used by other counties and he wondered if the other counties are doing anything to conserve their water.

Ms. Davis stated that the City needs to use reclaimed water to drought proof the City. If reclaimed water is used, then fresh water becomes available for other purposes. She stated that the City needed to maximize reclaimed water to protect the City and to urge other counties to use a water reclamation water system. She noted that the potential for reclamation in other counties is greater but that the City must set an example for them.

19a. RECREATION DIVISION
TEEN PROGRAM
FUNDRAISING PROJECT

Approval of a fundraising project for the Recreation Division's Teen Program, entitled "Recipes with an Attitude".

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that the Teen Program is requesting approval for a fundraising project being conducted by the youth at the Hamilton Recreation Center. It is novel idea developed by the editor of the Teen Newspaper, Lisa Halperin.

19a. RECREATION DIVISION
TEEN PROGRAM
FUNDRAISING PROJECT (Continued)

Lisa Halperin, the Editor of the Teen Newspaper, explained that this project was undertaken by the Teen Newspaper staff to combine the teens writing and editing skills and to raise a bit of revenue. Ms. Halperin gave high school students recipes and asked them to rewrite them and make them humorous. She stated that the students did a great job. The teens have sharpened their writing skills and will soon learn marketing skills.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16261

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the fundraising project for the Recreation Division's Teen Program, entitled "Recipes with an Attitude".

19b. SOUTH OF MARKET RECREATION CENTER
OVERNIGHT OUTING

Ratification of an overnight outing to Fairfax in Marin County by the South of Market Recreation Center held on October 26-27, 1991.

Superintendent of Recreation, Joel Robinson, explained that this is a request to ratify an overnight outing taken by the South of Market Recreation Center. He explained that 26 children attended the trip which was quite successful.

In response to President O'Connor's question, Mr. Robinson explained that the funds were provided by a non-profit agency and staff did not receive the funds in a timely manner. Therefore, he asked the Commission to ratify the outing.

On recommendation of the Recreation Program Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Orr, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16262

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies an overnight outing to Fairfax in Marin County by the South of Market Recreation Center held on October 26-27, 1991.

20. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner Orr, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16263

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $14,275.00, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a) From Walt Disney Company, plant material (one 48" Boxed Liriodendron), valued at $2,600.00, for the Golden Gate Park Nursery.

b) From Walt Disney Company, twelve (12) Boxed Trees Assorted, 24" Boxes, valued at $4,200.00, for the Golden Gate Park Nursery.

c) From Walt Disney Company, plant Material, (one 48" Boxed Celtis), valued at $2,800.00, for the Golden Gate Park Nursery.

d) From Jennifer Porter, 3 Plumeria, valued at $75.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

e) From Jim Lewis, $300.00, for the orchid collection at the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

f) From Richard Demoky, $500.00, for the orchid collection at the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

g) From Honorable Dianne Feinstein, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $500.00, for Kezar Equipment Fund.

h) From N.F.L. Alumni, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $500.00, for Kezar Equipment Fund.

i) From Koret Foundation, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $2,000.00, for the Golden Gate Park Band Fund.

j) From Robert Hamilton, one (1) Lepidozamia peroffskyana, valued at $800.00, for the Conservatory of Flowers, Golden Gate Park.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate letters of thanks shall be sent to donors.

21. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Flora Zagorites, voiced her concern about the City's liability because the Lake Merced footbridge has not been torn down and is unsafe. People are walking across the bridge and it is very rickety. She stated that with all the suits being filed against the City the Commission should intercede to expedite the demolition of the bridge.

21. PUBLIC COMMENT

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that the demolition permit has been processed, Structural Maintenance Division will remove some pieces of the bridge so that it will be clearly unaccessible and that signage will be placed making it clear that the footbridge is unpassable.

Golf Director, Bob Killian, explained that the bridge was not demolished because it supported a gas line to the golf course. Now, that the gasline has been re-routed the bridge can now be demolished. He planned to remove some of the boards so that people cannot access the bridge.

22. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President O'Connor apologized to staff for the problems involved with the Japanese Tea Garden bid package.

23. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

Joint Zoo Committee Meeting of October 2, 1991
Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of November 5, 1991
Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee Meeting of November 7, 1991
Golden Gate Park Committee Meeting of November 19, 1991

24. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Joel Irvine of the Recreation Division, who recently passed away.

On motion of President O'Connor, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Juanita Flynn, wife of Public Utilities Commissioner Welton Flynn, who recently passed away.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, the meeting was adjourned with congratulations to Mary Jane Armacost, Chairperson of the Zoological Society, as the recipient of the distinguished volunteer honoree for the National Philanthropy Day.

On motion of Commissioner Orr, the meeting was adjourned with best wishes for a speedy recovery to Babe Zanca, one of the founders of the Special Olympics.

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24. ADJOURNMENT (Continued)

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, the meeting was adjourned with best wishes for a speedy recovery to Lloyd Copertini, husband of Cyr Copertini, of the Mayor's Office, who is recovering from surgery.

On motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, the meeting was adjourned with best wishes to Dean Macris, Director of City Planning Department, on his future marriage to Ruthe Stein.

There being no further business, the 664th Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.

San Francisco, California
December 19, 1991

Art Agnos, Mayor

RECREATION AND PARK COMMISSION

MINUTES

665TH REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1991 - 2:00 P.M.

The Six Hundred and Sixty-Fifth Regular Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was called to order on Thursday, December 19, 1991, at 2:00 p.m. by President Connie O'Connor.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:
Commissioner Connie O'Connor, President
Commissioner Keith Eickman, Vice President
Commissioner Richard J. Guggenhime (Noted present at 2:30 p.m.)
Commissioner Sidney Chan
Commissioner Sue Sommer Loos
Commissioner Santiago Ruiz (Noted present at 2:07 p.m.)
Absent:
Commissioner Trent Orr

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 21, 1991, were approved as presented.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Mary E. Burns submitted the following report:

"GOLDEN GATE PARK BOND SCHEDULE

The $78 million general obligation bond issue for the restoration of Golden Gate Park infrastructure was introduced to the Board of Supervisors by Supervisor Gonzalez on Monday, December 16. This proposed bond issue will now be referred to the Finance Committee for review. The Board of Supervisors has until February 18, 1992 to take final action to place this bond issue on the June ballot. All ballot arguments for the June election must be submitted to the Registrar by March 17, 1992.

CIVIC CENTER BOND PROJECTS

The Board of Supervisors will also be considering a general obligation bond issue for the renovation of Civic Center Plaza, including the creation of a one-block mall on Fulton Street to the east of the plaza and landscape and lighting improvements in the Civic Center area. The cost of this proposed bond issue is approximately $27 million. According to the Department of Public Works designers, the Civic Center renovation would generally follow the masterplan for Civic Center Plaza approved by the Recreation and Park Commission.

PANHANDLE PARKING LOT

On Tuesday, December 17 the City Services Committee of the Board of Supervisors reviewed the matter of the closure of the parking lot in the Golden Gate Park Panhandle. The issue had been brought to this Committee by Supervisors Hallinan and Midgen. The Committee members are Supervisors Alioto (Chair), Achtenberg and Hsieh. The Committee unanimously approved a resolution urging the Mayor to urge the Recreation and Park Commission to delay the closure of this parking lot until April 10, 1992. The Committee also scheduled a hearing on this matter for their meeting of April 7, 1992. During the time between January 1 and April 7 the Committee requested all parties to meet to determine the existence of all alternatives to parking in the Panhandle which would be available for those who now use the Panhandle for parking.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the Commission agreed to postpone the proposal to convert the Panhandle paved area near Masonic Avenue to a landscaped/recreational use area and to allow the current use pattern until April 10, 1992.

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

FOOD NOT BOMBS

On Tuesday, December 17, the Economic and Social Policy Committee of the Board of Supervisors recommended adoption of legislation providing for the distribution of food on park property. The City Attorney has been asked to draft three resolutions on this matter.

- Resolution urging the Recreation and Park Commission to make certain changes in Park Code.

- Resolution to create a committee to review and report back to Board of Supervisors with suggestions and recommendations relating to Food Not Bombs.

- Adoption of a policy statement that free food distribution will be encouraged and that no City resource funds will be used to circumvent such action.

I would urge this Commission and interested members of the staff and public to let the Supervisors know their positions on these items.

PROPOSITION J HEARING DATES

At your places is a list of public meetings that will be held in conjunction with the implementation of Proposition J, "The Children's Amendment." These meetings will allow community input into the process of allocating funds from this legislation. Recreation staff will be present at each meeting to note the priorities as submitted by the communities and private agencies present at these meetings. The Charter amendment requires the Mayor to submit his plan and budget to implement the amendment to the Board of Supervisors by February 3, 1992.

HOLIDAY ROAD CLOSURES

In 1990 the Commission approved the holiday road closures for John F. Kennedy Drive and designated that in the future the closure of this road was to be handled administratively by the Department. Therefore, the following is the schedule for 1992 Holidays:

Wednesday, January 1, 1992 (New Year's Day)
Monday, January 20, 1992 (Martin Luther King Day)
Monday, February 17, 1992 (President's Day)
Monday, May 25, 1992 (Memorial Day)
Monday, September 7, 1992 (Labor Day)
Thursday, November 26, 1992 (Thanksgiving Day)
Friday, December 25, 1992 (Christmas Day)

3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT (Continued)

RECREATION AND PARK DEPARTMENT HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

The arrival of the Holiday Season has brought a wide array of Yuletide activities in the Recreation Division. This year we expect more participants than ever in the various activities scheduled around the Holidays. At your places you will find a complete list of parties at all our recreation facilities throughout the City.

FUHRMAN BEQUEST

At the December 18, 1991, Finance Committee of the Board of Supervisors, the Committee approved the sale of Fuhrman Bequest property located in Monterey County. This sale had been approved by the Recreation and Park Commission. However, at the Finance Committee hearing the Director of Property testified that the land was to be used for a "hunting reserve." This information was not previously provided to the Recreation and Park Commission.

Therefore, I am requesting that you ask the Finance Committee to reconsider this item and ask for written verification from the Real Estate Department that this property, if sold, will not be used as a shooting ranch.

MONTHLY CLAIMS SETTLEMENT REPORT

The following are Recreation and Park Department claims under $5,000 settled by the City Attorney's Office for the month of November, 1991:

Claimant	Amount	Claimant	Amount
Lee	$ 500.00	Giorgis	$ 70.00
Bellezza	1000.00	J.F. Hoss Co.	268.03
Wohlfeld	463.12		

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday, December 25, 1991	Christmas Day Holiday
Wednesday, January 1, 1992	New Year's Day Holiday
Thursday, January 2, 1992	Finance & Yacht Harbor Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Monday, January 6, 1992	Golden Gate Park Committee, 3:00 p.m. (Tour), 4:00 p.m. (Meeting), McLaren Lodge
Tuesday, January 7, 1992	Parks & Planning Committee, 4:00 p.m., McLaren Lodge
Wednesday, January 8, 1992	Joint Zoo Committee (Tour), 4:30 p.m. (Meeting), 5:00 p.m., Zoological Gardens"

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed hereunder constitute a Consent Calendar, are considered to be routine by the Recreation and Park Commission and will be acted upon by a single roll call vote of the Commission. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member so requests, in which event the matter shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered as a separate item.

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, ratification of the following resolutions, which are processed under Resolution No. 13572:

a. PERSONNEL MATTERS — RES. NO. 16264

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the actions taken by the General Manager regarding personnel matters during the period November 6, 1991 through December 4, 1991.

b. GOLDEN GATE PARK — RES. NO. 16265
ROAD CLOSURES
KIMOCHI/CHERRY BLOSSOM RUN/WALK

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from Kimochi for road closures in Golden Gate Park for the 11th Annual Kimochi/Cherry Blossom Run-Walk which will take place on Sunday, April 5, 1992, from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 Noon.

c. PORTSMOUTH SQUARE — RES. NO. 16266
CHINESE NEW YEAR FESTIVAL
MULTIPLE-DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to hold a multiple day event at Portsmouth Square for the Carnival Portion of their Chinese New Year Festival from Wednesday, January 29, 1992 through Monday, February 17, 1992 at specified times.

d. THE ARTISTS' GUILD OF SAN FRANCISCO/ — RES. NO. 16267
SAN FRANCISCO SOCIETY OF FINE ARTS
VARIOUS PARK FACILITIES
MULTIPLE-DAY ART SHOWS

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request to reserve portions of Washington Square Park, Union Square, the Marina Green and Hoover Redwood Grove in Golden Gate Park on specified dates and times in 1992 for art shows.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR (Continued)

e. JAPANTOWN PEACE PLAZA — RES. NO. 16268
MULTIPLE-DAY EVENT

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the 1992 Cherry Blossom Festival Committee for a multiple day event at the Japantown Peace Plaza on the weekends of April 3, 4, 5, 11, and 12, 1992 at specified times.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioner Chan, Eickman, Loos, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Guggenhime, Orr

GENERAL CALENDAR

5. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
ANIMAL TRANSACTIONS

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained the animal transactions: the male purple faced langur, which has been on loan to the Baton Rouge Zoo for some time, will be donated to that zoo because the San Francisco Zoological Gardens does not plan to exhibit this species. The cochin chicken, used to incubate eggs for a raptor breeding program, will be donated to George Carpenter who is a well known breeder of raptor.

On motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Loos, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16269

RESOLVED, That this Commission ratifies the following animal transactions (processed under Resolution No. 13572) for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens:

DONATED TO: Greater Baton Rouge Zoo
P. O. Box 60
Baker, Louisiana 70704
USDA #72-C-3

One (1) male Purple Faced Langur

Note for the Record: This animal has been on loan to the Greater Baton Rouge Zoo since 1983.

DONATED TO: George Carpenter
Boise, Idaho

One (1) Cochin Chicken, Sex Unknown

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioner Chan, Eickman, Loos, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Guggenhime, Orr

6. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
RETAIL OPERATION RENOVATION PROJECT

Approval of the retail operation renovation project for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained that the San Francisco Zoological Gardens plans to upgrade its concession facilities and retail operations to make them more efficient. He outlined the proposed renovations which include refinishing the floor and installing carpet at the gift shop; expanding the Primate Discovery Center and installing a gate system to close the shop in evening hours, and enclosing the public queuing area of the Plaza Cafe with an atrium/greenhouse structure. The Zoological Society has obtained three loan estimates to finance these projects which are estimated to cost $300,000.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Loos, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16270

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the retail operation renovation project for the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioner Chan, Eickman, Loos, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Guggenhime, Orr

7. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS
AMENDMENT TO ADMISSION POLICY

Approval to amend the San Francisco Zoological Gardens Admission Policy to allow free admission to supervising adults of groups qualifying for free admission.

Zoo Director, David Anderson, explained that when more than one adult accompanies a group entering the Zoo the extra adults are charged admission. Given that this fee generates little revenue and upsets and annoys group tours, he recommended deletion of this provision from the Zoo Admission Policy.

On recommendation of the Joint Zoo Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Chan, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16271

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves an amendment to the San Francisco Zoological Gardens Admission Policy granting free admission to supervising adults accompanying free admission groups to the San Francisco Zoological Gardens.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioner Chan, Eickman, Loos, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Guggenhime, Orr

8. SAN FRANCISCO ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS - ROAD CLOSURE
16TH ANNUAL ZOO RUN

Approval of request from the San Francisco Zoological Gardens for a road closure along the north and south bound lanes of the Great Highway from Skyline Boulevard to Lincoln Way for the 16th Annual Zoo Run on Sunday, January 19, 1992 at specified times.

Assistant Recreation Supervisor, Sharon Moyer, explained that this item is a request for road closures from 5:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on the Great Highway for the annual Zoo Run. Staff recommended approval conditioned on a fee of $.50 per entrant, $500.00 performance bond and a $1 Million certificate of insurance.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Loos, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16272

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the request from the San Francisco Zoological Gardens for a road closure along the north and south bound lanes of the Great Highway from Skyline Boulevard to Lincoln Way for the 16th Annual Zoo Run on Sunday, January 19, 1992 at specified times.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioner Chan, Eickman, Loos, O'Connor, Ruiz
Absent: Commissioner Guggenhime, Orr

2:30 p.m. Commissioner Guggenhime arrived at the meeting.

9. MICHELANGELO PARK
RESTROOM DESIGN

Approval of restroom design for Michelangelo Park.

Park Planner, Deborah Learner, explained that this item is a request to approve the design of a restroom at Michelangelo Park. The park is heavily used, particularly by small children and school groups, and a restroom is needed. A handicap accessible, unisex restroom has been designed without impeding on the gardener's tool shed. Many members of the community support this proposal. The issue of how the restroom will be opened and closed and maintained is still under discussion. She recommended approval.

Belinda Nienow, a parent with a small child, supported the restroom design and plan and asked that ways be explored to open and close the restroom.

Joe Butler, the architect who worked on the restroom design, supported the proposal. He explained that he has spoken to a representative of the School District to see if the District could open and close the restroom and is exploring ways to open, close and maintain the restroom.

Nan McGuire, representing the immediate neighborhood, explained that the community supported this proposal. She further explained that she is exploring ways to open and close the restroom.

9. MICHELANGELO PARK
RESTROOM DESIGN (Continued)

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16273

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the restroom design for Michelangelo Park.

10. BROOKS PARK
LANDSCAPING DESIGN

Approval of landscaping to the entrance to Brooks Park.

Acting Superintendent of Parks, Ron deLeon, explained that this item is the proposed landscaping design for the entrance to Brooks Park located on Shields and Ramsell Streets. The current entrance is undeveloped and barren with no landscaping. The proposal will beautify the entrance with a formal gateway with an arbor and trellis to access the play area. The San Francisco League of Urban Gardeners developed the design in consultation with the Department and many neighbors. Drought resistant plant material will be used. The community has endorsed this plan.

Peter Vaernet, who lives in the area, supported this proposal and stated that it was important to complete the project as it will draw and invite people into the park. He referenced problems that used to take place at the park but noted that recently the community has begun to use the park. On behalf of the neighbors, he urged approval.

On recommendation of the Parks and Planning Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16274

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the landscaping plan for the entrance to Brooks Park.

11. JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
GIFT SHOP AND TEA HOUSE CONCESSION

Approval of the proposed bid package for a 5-year lease for the Japanese Tea Garden Gift Shop and Tea House Concession.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that last month the Commission directed staff to prepare another bid package for the Tea Garden without expanded food service items. A new bid package has been developed which is duplicative of the previously approved bid package with two exceptions: no food items other than cookies, fruit, nuts and no drinks other than tea, fruit juices and soda would be allowed for sale in the tea house and the cultural program requirement has been deleted. This cultural program was deleted because there was little, if any, interest in such a program.

11. JAPANESE TEA GARDEN
GIFT SHOP AND TEA HOUSE CONCESSION (Continued)

Mr. Arnold further explained that The Independent (a thrice weekly newspaper) contacted him and asked why staff was proposing a change in the food items to be sold that were different from what the Commission had previously approved. Mr. Arnold distributed the present concessionaire's pre-packaged food item list and stated that there is no change from what is currently sold. He reiterated the point that more than tea and cookies will be sold but that this is not a change from the current Japanese Tea Garden lease.

In response to Commissioner Guggenhime's statement, Mr. Arnold stated that staff is not recommending selling soft drinks in tea cups because it would violate Health Code requirements to use a soft drink bottle more than one time to fill a tea cup.

Commissioner Loos did not like the concept of selling soft drinks because she felt it was not in keeping with the tradition of the tea garden. She thought soft drinks would detract from the garden's atmosphere and that juice and mineral water offered visitors enough variety in beverages.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Ruiz, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16275

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the proposed bid package for a 5-year lease for the Japanese Tea Garden Gift Shop and Tea House Concession.

Approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Commissioner Chan, Eickman, Guggenhime, O'Connor, Ruiz
Noes: Commissioner Loos
Absent: Commissioner Orr

12. GOLDEN GATE PARK
CULTURAL PASS

Approval of 15 month trial period for sale of a cultural pass package to Golden Gate Park venues which will include Japanese Tea Garden and the Conservatory of Flowers, as well as the Asian Art Museum, DeYoung Museum, and California Academy of Sciences.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is a request to approve a cultural pass package to Golden Gate Park venues. This pass will be marketed at $10.00, and would cost $14.50 if one attended each venue separately. The seller receives a sales commission of $.75 per pass sold. The Department will receive $1.00 for each Japanese Tea Garden or Conservatory pass turned in which represents a slight decrease in the admission income. However, the intent is to bring more people to Golden Gate Park who otherwise might not visit the park. Staff felt that this pass was a sound idea and recommended approval.

12. GOLDEN GATE PARK
CULTURAL PASS (Continued)

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Eickman, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16276

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a 15 month trial period beginning April 1, 1992, for sale of cultural pass package to Golden Gate Park venues to include the Japanese Tea Garden, Conservatory of Flowers, the Asian Art Museum, DeYoung Museum, and California Academy of Sciences.

13. LAKE MERCED
URBAN PARK CONCESSIONAIRE

Approval of Urban Park Concessionaire's request to increase boating, fishing and boat storage rates at Lake Merced, effective 1/1/92.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that Urban Park Concessionaire has requested an increase for fishing and boat storage rates at Lake Merced. At the same time, the concessionaire will offer some discounts and fishing tour packages. A survey was done for comparable fishing areas and the prices are in line.

In response to Commissioner Ruiz's question, Mr. Arnold explained that the proposed price increases have been posted at Lake Merced.

Commissioner Loos questioned the proposed price increase for boat storage and the private boat launch.

Mr. Arnold explained that this price increase was quite low when compared to other boat storage fees charged and that there has not been an increase in this charge for eight years.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Ruiz, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16277

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves Urban Park Concessionaire's request to increase boating, fishing and boat storage rates at Lake Merced, effective 1/1/92.

14. GRANTS APPLICATION POLICY

Approval of policy giving authorization to the General Manager, or her designee, to approve grant applications.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is a request to give the General Manager the authority to approve grant applications. This authority is necessary because the Board of Supervisors' grant application policy requires Commission resolutions for each application submitted and, at times, there is insufficient time to meet the time deadlines. He recommended approval of this item.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16278

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a policy giving authorization to the General Manager, or her designee, to approve grant applications.

15. CAMP MATHER
GRANT APPLICATION
TENTSITE PROJECT

Approval of grant application to Land and Water Conservation Fund for Camp Mather tentsite project.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is a grant application from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for outdoor recreation activities at Camp Mather. This grant would provide a camp site at Camp Mather for those who cannot afford to stay in a cabin.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Loos, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16279

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves a grant application to Land and Water Conservation Fund for Camp Mather tentsite project.

16. GOLDEN GATE PARK GOLF COURSE
LEASE APPROVAL

Approval of Golden Gate Park Golf Course Lease.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that last month staff informed the Commission of the results of the Golden Gate Golf Course bid. Two bids were received, one of which was disqualified because it was not responsive. The second bid was for less money than the disqualified bid. Therefore, staff asked the Commission for authorization to negotiate with the second bidder. The negotiated bid package raises the minimum bid from $15,000 a year to $26,000 a year and assures provisions of golf instruction and golf driving cages.

16. GOLDEN GATE PARK GOLF COURSE
LEASE APPROVAL (Continued)

In response to President O'Connor's question, **Golf Director**, Robert **Killian**, explained that Thigpen, Ltd., has the sublease for the restaurant at Lincoln Golf Course. He further explained that an upgraded irrigation system would greatly improve the Golden Gate Park Golf Course.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Guggenhime, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16280

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the Golden Gate Park Golf Course Lease with Thigpen, Ltd., as proposed by staff.

17. FUHRMAN BEQUEST PROPERTY
GRANT OF EASEMENT UNDER EMINENT DOMAIN

Approval of resolution recommending grant of easement across Fuhrman Bequest Property under eminent domain to Mojave Pipeline Company and Kern River Gas Transmission Company.

Assistant General Manager for Administration, Phil Arnold, explained that this item is a request to install a natural gas pipeline over Fuhrman Bequest property. The Mojave Pipeline Company will restore the surface to its former state. Mr. Arnold recommended approval.

On recommendation of the Finance and Yacht Harbor Committee, and on motion of Commissioner Guggenhime, seconded by Commissioner Loos, the following resolution was adopted:

RES. NO. 16281

RESOLVED, That this Commission approves the resolution recommending grant of easement across Fuhrman Bequest Property under eminent domain to Mojave Pipeline Company and Kern River Gas Transmission Company.

18. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, seconded by Commissioner Chan, the following resolution was adopted;

RES. NO. 16282

RESOLVED, That this Commission accepts the following gifts valued at $13,406.45, for the Recreation and Park Department:

a. From St. Anthony Foundation, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $1,200.00, for the Tenderloin Recreation Center.

b. From Naval Officers Spouse Association of Treasure Island, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $1,000.00, for the Tenderloin Recreation Center.

18. ACCEPTANCE OF GIFTS (Continued) RES. NO. 16282 (Continued)

c. From Lane Family Charitable Trust, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $2,500.00, for the Tenderloin Recreation Center.

d. From Max and Anna Levinson Foundation, through Friends of Recreation and Parks, $1,200.00, for the Teen Newspaper.

e. From Strybing Arboretum Society, miscellaneous gifts, valued at $3,098.45, for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

f. From Sonoma Horticultural Nursery, 137 Vireya Rhododendrons of various species and hybrids, valued at $4,408.00, for the Strybing Arboretum and Botanical Gardens.

FURTHER RESOLVED, That letters of thanks will be sent to the donors.

19. PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time members of the public may address the Commission on items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Recreation and Park Commission. Members of the public may address the Commission for up to three minutes. The President or the Commission may limit the total testimony to 30 minutes.

Note: No Public Comment was received.

20. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President O'Connor discussed:

°the legislation proposed by the Board of Supervisors regarding Food Not Bombs
°the legislation proposed by the City Services Committee regarding the paved area of the Panhandle

°distribution and use of tickets/passes for football and baseball games.

21. COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Commission Committee reports were submitted for the record:

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Parks and Planning Committee Meeting of December 3, 1991
Recreation Program Committee Meeting of December 4, 1991
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22. ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Commissioner Eickman, the meeting was adjourned in memory of Jack Morrison, member of the Social Services Commission and former member of the Board of Supervisors, who passed away recently.

There being no further business, the 665th Meeting of the Recreation and Park Commission was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shauna Marie Rose
Commission Secretary

Note: These minutes set forth all actions taken by the Recreation and Park Commission on matters stated, but not necessarily the chronological order in which the matters were taken up.


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